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FACTS: FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF HENRY HILL COLLINS, Jr., in contact with ALGER HISS and NATHAN MITT. ROBERT B. AIRD, HARRY L. GRANT, MARGARET S. GRANT, INEZ C. POLIAK, FRANCIS COLEMAN, ROSENBERGER, contacts of COLLINS, information furnished. ALAN MACGREGOR CRANSTON identified and background with GIBBY NEEDLEMAN, attorney for Amtorg; ALFRED VAN TASSEL; HERBERT SCHIMTEL; GEORGE SILVERMAN. DOROTHY KAPLAN active in Southern Conference for Human Welfare. Pertinent excerpts of correspondence of MARY JANE and PHILIP O. KEENEY furnished by informant. PHILIP KEENEY received notice of separation from MARY JANE GREEN, RICHARD and RUTH BRANSTEN, DAVID WAHL, ALIX REUTHER, HENRY SMITH, SAM BLOOMFIELD and URSULA WASSERMAN.

with Foreign Broadcasting Intelligence unit of the State Department. ROBERT TALBOT MILLER continued his usual contacts and activities. Remained unemployed. VICTOR PERLO and family left Washington for Great Barrington, Massachusetts. LIRIEL DRAFER was a guest of BEL HOLZ FLENN and his wife DORIS. continued their usual contacts. FLENN spent considerable time in New York City. Returned to Washington on May 11, 1947. National contacts of FLENN identified. WILLIAM HALTER KENTING. Present address is 1717 Rigg's Place, N. W., Washington, D. C. ALLAN ROSENBERG in contact with CARL GREEN, MARY JANE

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KEENEY, CARL MARZANI whom he represents as counsel, ELIZABETH SASULY, and DAVID WAHL. NATHAN GREGORY and HELEN SILVERMASTER, LUDWIG ULLMANN left Washington, D. C., and have established residence at Harvey Cedars, New Jersey. [REDACTED]

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Background information on FREDERICK PALMER WEBER furnished. His association with subjects of this case reported.

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[<sup>0</sup>HENRY HILL COLLINS, Jr.]

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W.  
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[ Dr. ROBERT B. AIRD ] ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ *74 u*

Under date of April 28, 1947, the San Francisco Office reported Dr. AIRD is a physician at Mill Valley, California, and there is no prior record indicating communist activities on his part in the files of the San Francisco Office. That office advised records at the Retailers' Credit Association in San Francisco indicate Dr. AIRD formerly resided at 160 Palo Alto Avenue, San Francisco, and prior to that he resided at 1496 Willard Street, San Francisco. He was said to be 41 and his wife's name was reported as ELINOR COLLINS.

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Mrs. HARRY L. GRANT ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ *74 u*

Since 1933 HARRY has engaged as a commercial and federal consultant with office in the Medical Science Building, 1029 Vermont Avenue, N. W., trading as HARRY L. GRANT Service. He also represents General Excavation Company and Osgood Company, manufacturers of power shovels and excavating machinery. He was reported to have an substantial income. The property at 2210 R Street, N. W., assessed at \$17,758, was acquired in his wife's name on December 28, 1937. All merchandise firms contacted rated his credit as satisfactory or very satisfactory.

His wife was said to be dependent upon him. HARRY came to Washington from Cleveland about October, 1931. He has resided at 561 Willard Hotel; Shoreham Hotel, 2500 Calvert Street, N. W.; 2127 R Street, N. W. From 1920 to 1933 he was associated with the Graybar Electric Company as a sales executive. From about October, 1931, to 1933 he represented this company in Washington, D. C., at 1119 14th Street, N. W. A form letter in the credit files indicated his office on September 27, 1933, was located at 405 Insurance Building, Washington, D. C. A notation on the jacket of the credit file was as follows: "War Department, CIC, on April 20, 1947."



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A check of the records of the Credit Bureau revealed a report dated February 20, 1947, which contained the following information.

HARRY GRANT's business name was given as HARRY T. GRANT Service, Inc., 1029 Vermont Avenue, N. W. This was said to be a Delaware Corporation chartered in June, 1946, with an authorized capital stock of \$100,000, (10,000 shares common stock at \$10 per share); \$33,500 has already been paid in to the firm. This corporation succeeded the business operated by Mr. GRANT in his own name for eighteen years. The officers and only stockholders are Mr. H. T. GRANT, president; Mr. C. S. GRANT (his son), vice president; Mrs. MARGARET S. GRANT, wife, secretary and treasurer. The firm acts as Washington representative for corporations and companies which have business with the administrative branch of the government.

At present they are approved dealers for the War Assets Administration in the disposal of machine tools. They are also active in securing export business and priorities for various firms from the CPA. They represent a good many firms before the Decontrol Board of the OPA. This corporation employs between forty and forty-five persons and has a weekly payroll of over \$4,000. They are experts in the field, and it is the opinion of those consulted that GRANT is drawing an excellent income from this source. GRANT formerly was employed as government representative of the New York Graybar Electric Company. He was with this firm for thirty years and was retired June 1, 1933.

Mrs. GRANT was reported not to be active in the operation of the business. A report from the Credit Bureau of Cleveland under date of May 27, 1932, indicated GRANT was a resident of Cleveland for ten years and went there from Greenwich, Connecticut. There was no derogatory information from the Cleveland Credit Bureau. The Washington Field Office indices reflect Mrs. H. T. GRANT, 2210 R Street, N. W., was the person designated to receive checks in payment for tickets to a series of lectures on Russian-American issues sponsored by the Bryn Mawr Endorsement Committee at the Wardman Park Hotel during February, March, and April, 1947. The first lecture was on February 17, 1947.

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The Credit Bureau of Washington contains a report dated August 3, 1944, which sets forth the following information.

Miss INEZ POLLAK, 2223 H Street, N. W., apartment 308, is approximately 30 years of age (1944), white, single, and has no dependents. She has resided at this address since October, 1941, renting an apartment from McKeever and Whiteford Real Estate Company, paying about \$59.50 per month. No former local address is known. The resident manager at the present address states she is believed to have a New York bank account and to have lived there prior to coming to Washington, D. C. This information was not verified. At this time, August, 1944, she was employed by the State Department as an associate divisional assistant at \$3300 per annum. She was under a war service appointment which dated from March 16, 1943. No former employment was established. The Washington Field Office indices are negative.

[FRANCIS COLEMAN ROSENBERGER] JCU

No information concerning this individual was found in the files of Stone's Mercantile Agency or the Credit Bureau.

A review of the Washington Field Office indices reflects under date of January 22, 1947, Special Agent O. GEORGE MEDLER of Washington, D. C., submitted a report of an investigation conducted on ROSENBERGER in connection with an application filed by him for a legal position in the Department of Justice. This report contains the following information.

ROSENBERGER was born March 22, 1915, at Manassas, Virginia. He received an LL. B. in June, 1942, at National University, Washington, D. C. He was employed by the Federal Works Agency, FBA, from November 21, 1941, to April 23, 1942, as a timekeeper. He was also employed by the OPA from April 23, 1942, to December 30, 1946, at which time his salary was \$7102.20. ROSENBERGER was delegated to the Kilgore Committee from October, 1942, until May 6, 1946.

He was recommended highly by references for the position sought in the Department of Justice. A neighborhood investigation resulted favorably. His credit records were noted as being satisfactory. A check at the criminal records reflected one traffic violation on his wife LUCINDA TAVENNER ROSENBERGER. His wife's father CLYDE H. TAVENNER was reported to have been a writer and former member of Congress from Illinois.

During the course of the investigation conducted by Special Agent FRED H. GREEN of the Washington Field Office concerning the Southern Conference for Human Welfare, it was determined ROSENBERGER is an active member

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of this organization. It is alleged to be a communist dominated organization.

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It was developed during the course of this investigation that ROSENBERGER drafted Senate Bill S-RES-303 which created the subcommittee on technological mobilization of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, and that during the time he worked on this bill and with the Committee HENRY H. COLLINS was the staff director over ROSENBERGER.

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A check of the records of Stone's Mercantile Agency on April 29, 1947, reflected there was a report on this individual dated April 24, 1945, which contained the following information. (u)

TODD was born July 23, 1893; his wife's name is OLGA A. TODD. He was reported to be employed since May 3, 1937, with the Federal Works Agency, FBA, as a guard. His salary was \$1500 a year plus overtime. It was said his job was permanent and he was a satisfactory employee. It was reported prior to 1941 his credit was a little slow in some accounts but is now satisfactory. He has a wife and three children dependent. A daughter NORLA was said to reside at home and to be employed in the Treasury Department. A brother-in-law of 329 Rhode Island Avenue, N. W., was reported as being employed in the Treasury Department. Former residences were listed for TODD as follows: 17 Second Street, N. E., 3015 Georgia Avenue, N. W., 650 Hobart Street, N. W., 225 C Street, N. E., all Washington, D. C.; 6311 Addison Chapel Road, Seat Pleasant, Maryland; Maple Avenue, Maryland Park, Maryland; 26 68th Street, Carmody Hills, Maryland.

TODD was formerly employed as a salesman for the Virginia Insurance Company and his services were satisfactory. Later he was employed by the Prudential Life Insurance Company. From 1926 to 1931 he worked as an agent for the Capital City Life Insurance Company. He also worked for the Prince Georges County Board of Education. He was believed to have been employed by a WFA project in 1936. TODD has also worked as an employee in the maintenance department at Quantico, Virginia. This work was as a painter,

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and he later engaged as a painter for himself. While working with the Prince Georges County Board of Education he was employed as a janitor at the District Line School.

According to the files of the Credit Bureau, TODD is white and in 1940 had only one dependent child. It was said he had a daughter and son who paid \$50 a month board between them.

The Washington Field Office indices were checked with negative results.

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On May 3, 1947 ~~Confidential Informant~~ [REDACTED] advised that the HISS family plans to visit COLLINS but COLLINS in talking to TONY HISS mentioned he was expecting guests from out of town and suggested the HISS family postpone the visit. b2 b7D

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ALAN MAC GREGOR CRANSTON J & u

The report of Special Agent LAMBERT G. ZANDER, dated December 6, 1946, at Washington, D.C. in instant case reflects that on [REDACTED] b1  
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A check of the records of Stones Mercantile Agency, Washington, D.C. reflected no information concerning this individual.

The files of the Credit Bureau, Washington, D.C. contain the following concerning CRANSTON and his wife. Under date of June 12, 1946, a credit report was made on Mrs. ALAN MC CRUDEY CRANSTON, nee GENEV ~~MC~~ NATH, of Apartment 505, 120 C Street, NE. It was noted that seven accounts reporting on her credit rated her satisfactory. She had no bank reference. She was reported to be between 28 and 30 years old, white, married, and having no dependents. She resided at 120 C Street, NE, from October 1941 to the date of the credit report, renting the apartment from Mrs. W. C. KINCAID, manager, and meeting her rental obligations promptly. She previously resided at 317 10th Street, NE, in Washington, 135 Perry Street, New York City and 2411 West Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. It was said her father-in-law, WILLIAM ~~CRANSTON~~, presently resides in Los Angeles. It was further stated she was employed as the Washington representative for the Common Council for American Unity, 222 4th Avenue, New York City. This information could not be verified. Her husband's name was given as ALAN ~~CRANSTON~~ and his occupation as principal business specialist, Office of War Information. It was said he was formerly employed by the Common Council for American Unity as publicity man and by International News Service for 2½ years in Paris, France, and later in Rome, Italy. He was reported to have worked with the legislative department of the Common Council for American Unity in Washington, D.C.

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A review of the information available in the Washington Field Office files concerning CRANSTON reflects that he was investigated in January 1942 in connection with his position mentioned above in the Office of Emergency Management. Both DONALD R. PERRY, Director of Alien Registration, United States Department of Justice and Mr. M. E. GILFOND of the Department of Justice were interviewed as references. They stated that CRANSTON had an excellent reputation, a good moral character, and was not involved in any un-American activities. Neighbors likewise stated they regarded CRANSTON highly and reported no un-American tendencies. He was found to have a favorable credit record and no criminal record. Under date of March 21, 1944, a report of investigation conducted by PAUL L. SWEENEY, Special Agent, SIC, was received by the Washington Field Office. At that time it was noted that CRANSTON was a Private in the United States Army and stationed at Camp Croft, California. This report contains the following information of possible interest. In the Congressional Record of November 4, 1943, appears a speech by Congressman U

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FRED E. BUSBY of Illinois wherein it was stated that CRANSTON, at that time chief of the foreign language division of the Office of War Information, Washington, D.C., was a member of the staff of the Common Council for American Unity; that "Common Ground", the official organ of the Common Council for American Unity, is edited by LOUIS ADAMIC. BUSBY stated LOUIS ADAMIC is associated with many Communist controlled front organizations and that many of ADAMIC's writings condemn the government of the United States while he, ADAMIC, eulogizes the government of the Soviet Union. According to BUSBY, ALAN CRANSTON had an article in "Common Ground" in the summer of 1941 "opposing the alien registration bill which in the minds of many was a very necessary war measure." CRANSTON came out in support of HARRY BRIDGES, the Communist, and in many respects his article parallels the program of the Communist Party according to BUSBY. U

DAVID KATZ, alias DAVID KARR, assistant chief of the foreign language division, Office of War Information, testified on April 6, 1943, before the Dies Committee on Un-American Activities to the effect that he was sponsored for his former position as senior liaison officer in the Office of Facts and Figures by ALAN CRANSTON who at that time was chief of the foreign language division of the Office of Facts and Figures. KARR testified he did not apply for the position but was invited to take it by CRANSTON; that he was not recommended for the position by any other individual besides CRANSTON; that CRANSTON knew KATZ for about three years prior to hiring him at the Office of Facts and Figures; that KATZ at the time he testified was assistant chief of the foreign language division of OWI under CRANSTON at a salary of \$4600 per annum; that he was not a specialist in any foreign language and did not speak or read a foreign language; that prior to his employment by CRANSTON, KATZ collaborated with LOWELL WAKEFIELD, a staff writer for the Daily Worker in writing articles exposing subversive activities which articles appeared in the Daily Worker under the name of DAVID KARR, KATZ's alias; that he wrote at least one book review for the Daily Worker; that he wrote at least two articles for the publication "Equality"; that he was not a member of the Communist Party or in sympathy with the Communist Party's aims. U

In September 1943 the Pittsburgh Office advised that the subscriber list of "Narodni Glasnik", publication of the National Council of Americans of Croatian Descent, carried the name "Mr. ALAN CRANSTON, Foreign Language Division, Office of War Information, Library of Congress, Washington, D. C." This paper was said to reflect the Communist Party line concerning various foreign governments, to carry many reprints from the Daily Worker, to support Communist dominated organizations and to promote the cause of TITO. U

On December 14, 1945, the New York Office advised that CRANSTON was president of the Council for American-Italian Affairs, Incorporated. No information was furnished concerning this organization but it was noted it issued reports concerning American foreign policy, particularly with respect to Italy. U

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On May 9, 1941, the Baltimore Office reported that from the files of the Enoch Pratt Library certain information was obtained concerning a conference on democratic rights held in Baltimore June 14 and 15, 1940. It was noted that a program concerning this conference listed CRANSTON's name as representative of the Foreign Language Information Service.

On October 18, 1946, ~~Confidential Informant~~ [REDACTED] <sup>b2 b7D</sup> reported that GENEVA CRANSTON, wife of ALAN CRANSTON, was in contact with WINIFRED LUNNING, wife of JUST LUNNING, a subject of this investigation. GENEVA stated that she and ALAN were going to Los Altos, California, to live with ALAN's sister and father, WILLIAM CRANSTON. It appeared from the conversation that ALAN had left the Office of War Information and was at that time with the United Nations. *et u*

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Re: PHILIP H. DUNATAY

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CHARLES D. CEAPIAN.

The following information was obtained as the result of a mail cover placed on the above mentioned individual at the Silver Spring, Maryland Post Office. This correspondence was received by DUNATAY for the period March 21, 1947 to April 30, 1947. (X) u

<u>Postmark</u>	<u>Return Address</u>
March 21, 1947	JONATHAN KING 251 Elizabeth Street New York, N. Y.
March 24, 1947	LEE EPSTEIN 220 Broadway New York, N. Y.
March 11, 1947	<del>X address</del> 630 - 5th Avenue New York 20, New York
April 15, 1947	630 - 5th Avenue New York 20, New York
April 14, 1947	<del>X address</del> 220 Broadway New York, N. Y.
April 17, 1947	<del>X address</del> 601 St. Vermont Avenue Los Angeles, California
	<del>X address</del> 430 Crown Street Brooklyn, N. Y.
	220 Broadway New York, N. Y.
April 22, 1947	<del>X address</del> 1706 Preston Road Alexandria, Virginia
April 24, 1947	LEE EPSTEIN 220 Broadway New York, N. Y.
	<del>X address</del> 1319 Broadway New York, N. Y.

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Postmark

April 24, 1947

Return Address

~~WYMAN GERTLER~~  
Washington Street and Union Avenue  
Harrison, N. Y.

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Information regarding the address 630 - 5th Avenue, New York City, was previously secured and submitted to the Bureau. It is the address of J. E. ~~WALLON~~, Sinclair Refining Company.

Concerning 430 Crown Street, Brooklyn, this number apparently should be 433 Crown Street, which is the new address of ARICHO WILPERI, a subject in this case.

1706 Preston Road, Alexandria, Virginia, is the address of JOHN DeFRANCIS. Files of this Office reflect that JOHN DeFRANCIS was a friend of MANUEL SIGURD LARSEN, subject of the case entitled "PHILIP JACOB ~~SAFFE~~, was, ET AL - INTERNAL SECURITY - R". DeFRANCIS was employed in the State Department in the Office of Strategic Services at that time (April, 1945).

The files also reflect that DeFRANCIS is a friend of WILLIAM H. E. JOHNSON, subject of an Espionage - R, Special Inquiry, for the War Department.

DeFRANCIS is, at the present time, Chief of the China Political Section of the State Department.

Undeveloped leads have been set forth to secure information concerning the persons at the other addresses listed.

Under date of April 30, 1947, a letter was received by the Silver Spring Post Office, advising of a change of address to 8 West 13th Street, New York City. This letter was signed by LILLIAN and PHILIP ~~DUNAWAY~~.

On April 19, 1947, ~~Confidential Informant~~ advised that a change of address card was received by FERRY HILL COLLINS, signed by PHILIP ~~DUNAWAY~~, advising of a temporary change of address, effective April 30, 1947, to be 3 West 13th Street, c/o HARTER, New York City, New York. He also stated his permanent address would be 41 King Street, New York, New York.

(It has been determined subsequently that the correct address of DUNAWAY is 8 West 13th Street, New York City.)

The following information was furnished by the New York Division and was determined through the observation of Special Agents J. W. DOYLE, FRANK J. HGLAN and JOHN J. DONAHAY, while on surveillance of other subjects in instant case, and covered a period from March 11, 1947 through March 18, 1947.

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On March 11, 1947, while surveilling EDWARD GERTLER and his wife, PHILIP DUNN was observed leaving the GERTLER premises in Harrison, New York. He accompanied them to New York City where they separated and he immediately made a telephone call to one CHARLES BRAUER, 100 West 142nd Street, which is an unlisted number. There is no record of this name in the New York indices. Agent COLAN overheard DUNN say: "I wish to report my presence."

Upon leaving the telephone booth, DUNN walked for a short period, then made another telephone call to an unlisted number. It was determined that this number was held by a RUTH MORRISON, 45 West 66th Street, Manhattan. Not getting an answer at this number, DUNN proceeded to the address mentioned above and walked to the third floor, after asking for the MORRISON apartment. He was heard knocking at a door and yelling the name "ILPA" or "ILYA". From this address, some seven hours later, DUNN proceeded to the home of MURICE WILPERIN, 436 Crown Street, Brooklyn, New York.

On March 13, 1947, DUNN was observed coming down the United States Court House steps with CAROL THISSING, Communist Party Attorney, who has been Chief Attorney for GERARD BIELT. ①

On March 18, 1947, while surveilling DAVID WEHL, the above mentioned Agents observed DUNN meet WEHL and proceed to lunch with him.

(c) The following information was obtained from [REDACTED] unless otherwise indicated. b1

~~Confidential Informant~~ [REDACTED] on April 23, 1947, contacted MARY JANE KEENEY. During the conversation, she informed MARY JANE that they are having a party for PHILIP DUNN at her house on Saturday night. MARY JANE stated that she would be free and that she would be at the party. b2 b7D

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that on April 25, 1947, in a conversation between MARY JANE KEENEY and THEODORA WASSCOV, THEO mentioned that she is certainly sorry to hear the DUNNs are leaving town. b2 b7D

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On April 27, 1947, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that LILLIAN DUNNAY contacted MARY JANE KENNY, at which time they discussed MARY JANE's illness. LILLIAN invited MARY JANE to her house tomorrow to lie in the sun. LILLIAN mentioned that they had finished packing and that they are storing some things in a storage company in New York.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that MARY JANE KENNY contacted LILLIAN DUNNAY on the following morning, April 28, 1947, to advise that she is still feeling badly and will not come out to LILLIAN's this morning. LILLIAN suggested that she come out later in the afternoon if she feels better. This Informant advised that on the same afternoon LILLIAN was contacted by MARY JANE at which time she was advised that MARY JANE was feeling so badly that she could not come out and that she may have to go to the hospital tomorrow. b2

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RE: BELA & SONIA GOLD *Heru*

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The following investigative information is being reported by Special Agent W. RAYMOND WANNALL for the period April 16 through May 15, 1947. *(X)*

As a result of a mail cover maintained on the residence of BELA & SONIA GOLD, 3416 10th Place, SE, during this period, it was reflected the following letters were received:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Date</u>
Commissioner of Revenue Arlington County, Virginia	BELLA GOLD	April 18, 1947
<i>X</i> MAYER 1150 Grand Concourse Bronx, New York	B. GOLD	April 19, 1947
<i>X</i> TENENBAUM Finance Division, OMGUS APO 742, New York, N.Y.	Mrs. SONIA GOLD	April 22, 1947
<i>X</i> I. STEINMAN c/o Fallsburg PTG Company South Fallsburg, New York	Mr. & Mrs. B. GOLD	April 23, 1947

It is noted that there have been numerous instances of correspondence between the GOLDS and ISAAC *X* STEINMAN of 847 East 172nd Street, New York City. The New York Office has determined this individual is the father of SONIA GOLD. This information is set forth in the report of Special Agent JOHN T. HILSBOS at New York City, dated April 17, 1947. It is of interest to note in this report that SONIA was born in New York City December 17, 1917, under the name of SOPHIA *X* STEINMAN. *(X)*

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~RE: ALGER HISS~~SECRET~~

The following information is being reported by Special Agent EDWARD L. GRAMPP.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] furnished the following information concerning the activities of HISS from April 1 through April 30, 1947. b2b7D

On April 4, 1947, it was learned that ALGER HISS and his family were going to Vermont in the middle of June where they were to spend a month, and then in September they were going to move to New York.

On April 6, BEN MOORE and his wife arranged to visit the ALGER HISS residence.

On April 7, 1947, PRISCILLA <sup>X</sup>HISS and ALGER HISS arranged to attend a dinner at the home of JOHN G. <sup>X</sup>and DIANA <sup>X</sup>RAYLIN, 2131 Leroy Place, N. W. ⑨

On April 13, 1947, ALGER HISS contacted STANLEY <sup>X</sup>HORNBECK (State Department advisor on Political relations) at which time the latter indicated that he had a question which he would like ALGER to answer regarding something which happened in the office but which question STANLEY did not wish to ask over the phone. ALGER agreed to visit STANLEY later that day.

ALGER HISS, on April 26, 1947, arranged a luncheon date with JACK <sup>X</sup>THOMPSON (State Department).

On April 30, 1947, DELIA <sup>X</sup>EYERS (phonetic) advised PRISCILLA HISS that she just got in town from Texas City and would be in town until Friday. She said she is here for the League Conference. DELIA agreed to contact PRISCILLA later to arrange a get together.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Reference is made to the report dated March 3, 1947, in this case wherein it was set out that LYNN <sup>X</sup>WHITE, Mills College, Oakland, California, while staying at the Hay Adams House, Washington, D. C., made several phone calls. The following subscribers to some of these phone numbers called by WHITE are hereinafter set out.

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Vi 4101 - American Association of University Women, 1634 I Street, N. W.  
 Emerson 7095 - FERDINAND E. RUGE, 3707 Woodley Road, N. W.  
 Emerson 9145 - Mrs. WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND, 5011 Lowell Street, N. W.  
 Executive 2453 - No such number.  
 Ludlow 0344 - CHARLES W. PULLIAN, 300 North Carolina Avenue, S. E.  
 Metropolitan 4458 - FRED P. TIT, 941 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.  
 Republic 2100 - ~~Fiton~~ Publishing Company, Union Trust Company.  
 Temple 8798 - DEAN RUSK, 3413 Valley Drive, Alexandria, Virginia.  
 Wisconsin 7653 - JOHN H. SUTER, 4213 29th Street, Mt. Rainier, Maryland.

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The Baltimore Division by letter dated May 1, 1947, furnished the following information on Dr. HUGH JUDGE JEWETT, 5603 Waycrest Lane, Baltimore, Maryland, who is the subscriber to Baltimore phone, Tuxedo 5265. It is to be noted that HISS has been in contact with the subscriber to this phone number.

Dr. JEWETT is a physician with offices at 1201 North Calvert Street, telephone Lulberry 5069. The records of the Credit Bureau in Baltimore revealed that JEWETT and his wife, ROSALIND, have resided at the above address since November, 1945. Dr. JEWETT is 39 to 41 years of age, and the son of the late HUGH JUDGE JEWETT who had been a highly regarded practicing attorney in Baltimore. At one time Dr. JEWETT resided at Johns Hopkins Hospital for a period of about 5 years and had also spent some years abroad. He was graduated from Johns Hopkins Medical School in 1930 and interned at Johns Hopkins Hospital. He subsequently was connected with the Pathology Department at Johns Hopkins. At the present time Dr. JEWETT is a staff physician at Johns Hopkins Hospital and maintains an office at the Brady Clinic there. He also has a well-established private practice.

The Bryn Mawr College Endowment Committee, on Monday, April 7, 1947, presented an Off the Record Evening on Russia at the Wardman Park Hotel on the subject "How Russia Does Business". The Chairman of this meeting was ALGER HISS, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. The speakers for the evening were RAY ELLIS, President of the Raytheon Corporation and WPB representative in Russia during the war, and HANS HEYMANN of Sampson College, who was a member of the Russian Trade Commission and is author of "We Can Do Business with Russia". Panel Members at the meeting were ERNEST C. ROPES, Chief of the USSR Division, Department of Commerce, and LIVINGSTON HARTLEY, Head of the Council for Atomic Research.

At this meeting HISS explained that the Bryn Mawr series was being held to raise money to increase the salaries of the teachers at Bryn Mawr College. Thereafter HISS introduced the speakers and panel members. He had nothing further to say during the evening except to receive questions from the audience addressed to the speakers and panel members and thereafter to submit these questions for answer.

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In his speech HANS HEYMANN stated that LENIN once thought that economic planning in Russia would be so simple that a housewife could understand it. He further stated that the Russian economic system is based upon State ownership, Russia having turned its back on private ownership, and free enterprise. HEYMANN stated that Russia's experience with Capitalism was unhappy and that was Russia's reason for turning against Capitalism. In other words, HEYMANN believed that Russia wanted to end her dependence on Capitalism and world market. He said that some people and countries look with fear on the rapid industrialization of Russia but he believes that this is merely a means of a better market for other countries. Thereafter HEYMANN discussed the Five-Year Plan which has been set up in Russia. He stated that it is a well thought out system for the entire population. He said that it is not an illiterate or a military method of economic planning, but is a plan to build the industry of Russia beyond past achievements and to double production of consumers goods. HEYMANN said that the Five-Year Plan in Russia is being fulfilled in general, with notable exceptions, agriculture and housing. He said that trade between nations has a pacifying effect. He pointed out that there has been a small volume of trade between the United States and Russia for various reasons. He suggested that effort be given by the United States to extend large credit to Russia thereby bringing these two countries together. He said that demobilization of the Army in Russia is going ahead rapidly this year, and in 1947 only 3,000,000 men are now under arms. He seemed to indicate that this shows that war is not inevitable or even likely. HEYMANN indicated that the volume of trade today is about the same as pre-war days between the United States and Russia. During the Open Forum HEYMANN said that the Russians have not paid the Lend Lease bill because they morally think they should not pay it, and in fact ROOSEVELT did not indicate that they would ever be required to make such payment.

RAY ELLIS in his speech indicated that the Russians have a central planning agency in Moscow to plan, produce and allocate materials for manufacturing. He stated that in Russia the factories are built as a self-sufficient unit making all items to be used in the finished product which is assembled in the same factory. He stated that the employees are not compelled to belong to a union but most of them do. He then discussed at length the management and employee set-up in factories. He stated that the Russians are going through internal readjustments. He indicated that the government does not seem to want the people to know what low standards the Russians have in comparison to our country. They do not want outside influences. He pointed out that trouble might result if the Russian people are allowed to discover how backward their country has been. He pointed out that Russia needs American industrial aids. ELLIS stated that the United States businessmen have difficulty in dealing with

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the Russians because the plant managers are "tough" individuals to deal with. ELLIS stated that the Russian factory workers have a great deal of fire to work and to produce, in fact, he said the Russian research in Electronics is as advanced as in America. However, after success in research the Russians are not able to put the learning into practical use.

After the above speeches in the Open Forum, ROPES indicates that at the Geneva Conference which was at the present time taking place, there was an effort being made to promote good between the United States and Russia and thereby bring peace. ROPES indicated that the Commerce Department of the United States was interested in having individuals engaged in business in Russia and America sit down at a conference table and discuss their needs and difficulties.

As hereinbefore stated subject ALGER HISS took no part in the discussions during the evening.

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[RE: IRVING KAPLAN

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The following information is being reported by Special Agent EDWARD L.

Confidential Informant <sup>b2 b7D</sup> [redacted] furnished the following information on the activities of IRVING KAPLAN and his wife, DOROTHY, for the period April 1 through May 15, 1947. (S)(u)

The Informant related that on April 1 JANE (STONE) contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and they arranged to attend a meeting of the Health Committee of the Council of Social Agencies and the Southern Conference Health Committee on Thursday night. (S)(u)

On April 1 and 2, IRVING KAPLAN, his wife, DOROTHY and BEA NORMAN indicated that they were going to New York on Friday to visit GIBBY NEEDLEMAN and LOUIS S. FRIEDLAND. DOROTHY indicated to BEA that ELMER (NORMAN) was not to be present when they talked with GIBBY. KAPPY indicated to GIBBY that they wanted to attend the Passover in New York and stay for a few days with GIBBY. GIBBY indicated that he would tell KAPPY all about the Madison Square Garden meeting which was the best in 35 years. KAPPY indicated that he thinks the thing will bust in the Senate and will tell GIBBY all about it when he sees him. (S)(u)

On April 2, 1947, arrangements were made by ED FITZGERALD, IRVING KAPLAN and HARRY MAGDOFF to lunch together. (S)(u)

On the same day DOROTHY KAPLAN contacted PALMER WEBER (CIO, PAC) indicating that she was in an awful stew inasmuch as she is in possession of a story that she does not know how to handle. DOROTHY agreed with PALMER that it was a "tough, ugly story". PALMER indicated to DOROTHY that she should go right ahead and take no inferiority notions. He told her to put down anything she "feared, suspected or in any way indicated". PALMER arranged to see DOROTHY the next day. (S)(u)

On April 11, 1947, BEADIE VAN TASSELL indicated that her husband was in New York and had stayed at GIBBY'S (NEEDLEMAN) on Tuesday evening. (S)(u)

Later that same day GIBBY NEEDLEMAN informed DOROTHY KAPLAN that he was at 3355 16th Street (Russian Purchasing Commission) but would soon be out to the KAPLAN residence to stay over the week-end. (S)(u)

It was learned on April 12, that GIBBY NEEDLEMAN was at Michigan 9132 and that the Russians were celebrating the fact that they were getting out of (S)(u)

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this place on Monday and were feeding GIBBY and filling him full of wine. It was later learned that IRVING KAPLAN also was with GIBBY and that GIBBY became drunk celebrating their removal. (S)(u)

On the same day it was learned that SAM COHN and IRVING KAPLAN played poker at the VAN TASSELL residence. (S)(u)

On the next day SARAH SILVERMAN related to IRVING KAPLAN that she had seen MARJORIE LAWSON and her husband for the first time in five years at a meeting of the Alexandria, Virginia Southern Conference for Human Welfare. She stated that 20 people were present at the meeting, only four of which were white. (S)(u)

On April 14, 1947, it was learned that PAULINE FREEDLAND was now employed at the Navy Yard and Docks Annex near Arlington Farms. (S)(u)

On April 16 IRVING KAPLAN arranged to visit the MAGDOFF residence. (S)(u)

On April 16, 1947, IRVING KAPLAN advised MURRAY LATIMER that he would drop in to see him the next day at LATIMER'S new office, Room 100, Barr Building, 910 17th Street, N. W., telephone Republic 9167. (S)(u)

On April 18, 1947, KAPPY related to VEET BASSIE that he was of the understanding that BEANIE BALDWIN was in town and plans were brewing for what goes on after the end of the month. KAPPY said he thought it would be a good idea to talk to BEANIE if there was anything to talk about. KAPPY said he thought there might be a great deal to talk about which they ought to get some idea "of where this thing fits". VEET agreed that such a talk would be all right. (S)(u)

Two days later KAPLAN again reached VEET stating that he was unable to get in touch with BEANIE but he imagined that he would be back in town when HENRY WALLACE got back. KAPPY further remarked that if there was a good reason to do so he could go up to New York to see BALDWIN. KAPPY further related that what prompted him to think of seeing BALDWIN was that he heard stories of all kinds of proposals for WALLACE when he gets back. VEET answered that he had not heard about these stories. KAPPY said that they ought to be anticipated inasmuch as WALLACE announced his barnstorming tour. KAPPY said that WALLACE had to move now or be "slapped down in every direction without having any form of answer". He stated that WALLACE has a disposition to put things off and this must be stopped. After the above conversation KAPPY and VEET made a tentative luncheon engagement for the next day. (S)(u)

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Later that same day the KAPLANS arranged to visit at the SILVERMAN home. (S) (u)

On April 22, 1947, HARRY MAGDOFF invited DOROTHY KAPLAN to look over two rooms into which he was moving at the end of the month. (Apparently HARRY has offered DOROTHY a job and she is favorably considering it). They discussed the amount of work to be done and DOROTHY said that she feels she cannot continue with PALMER WEBER as his work is too indefinite. (S) (u)

The following day KAPLAN mentioned to HERB SCHIMMEL that the latter took a drubbing yesterday on the Senate vote on the Greek Bill. HERB said he was actually pleased by the vote inasmuch as he got one more vote than he anticipated. Thereafter they indulged in a lengthy conversation on a labor bill. HERB stated that Senator PEPPER wants to introduce a labor bill of his own. HERB is prepared to argue with PEPPER that it would be a mistake if his intention is to put in some propositions on labor. HERB said from a public relations viewpoint, education point of view and since no such bill will pass this present session of Congress anyway, HERB would like to see PEPPER put in a bill with three titles in it. Thereafter HERB discussed these three titles and asked KAPLAN if he would be willing to supply the language for the Improvement of Industrial Help portion of the bill if HERB can get PEPPER interested. KAPLAN agreed. (S) (u)

GEDEG On May 4, 1947, arrangements were made by the KAPLANS to visit with the PERAZICKS. (S) (u)

KAPLAN arranged to visit MURRAY LATIMER on May 5, when LATIMER indicated to KAPLAN he had been in New York and had some interesting material to discuss with KAPPY. (S) (u)

On May 10, 1947, GIBBY NEEDLEMAN attempted to contact ALFRED VAN TASSELL at the KAPLAN residence without success. GIBBY indicated that he wanted to talk to VAN about something he had run across that is in VAN TASSELL'S line. Later that day VAN TASSELL contacted KAPLAN and received the above message, stating that SAM BROWN had something for VAN in New York and could be reached at Wadsworth 7-1209. It was learned during this conversation that VAN TASSELL'S wife and family were at FRED HAMILIN'S, Glenmont, Maryland, Pleasant 8631. (S) (u)

It was learned on May 11, 1947, that the SILVERMANS and the KAPLANS were visitors at the VAN TASSELL home. (S) (u)

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The next day ED FITZGERALD, HARRY MAGDOFF, VERT BASSIE and IRVING KAPLAN arranged to have lunch together. (S)(u)

Later that day ETHEL BLOOM submitted to DOROTHY KAPLAN the following Southern Conference for Human Welfare members to contact in order to remind them of the Conference meeting: (S)(u)

Mr. and Mrs. JACK OPPENHEIMER, Gunston Road, Gunston, Maryland  
telephone Al 0224.

Mrs. REYNOLDS, telephone Te 2373 (Mrs. GEORGE H. REYNOLDS,  
615 South Lee Street, Alexandria)

RUTH DARDEE, Te 4138 (227 North Pitt Street)

BEATRICE WELTZER Al 1970 (ETHEL indicated that this person  
works on the Alexandria Gazette)

MARY MACK, Martha Custis Drive (Mrs. MARY B. MACK, 3355  
Martha Custis Drive, Te 0875)

Mrs. HARRY MAGDOFF

Dr. LINDO (DR. AUBREY C. LINDO, 303 North Alfred Street,  
Al 30602)

Rev. LOVELL (Rev. J. H. LOVELL, 614 South Washington  
Street, Al 1452)

Reverend NILES and Rev. MOLIGENT (ETHEL indicated that  
these individuals had no phone)

ETHEL indicated that MOSE PLUNKETT would speak and the meeting would  
be held tomorrow night at the YMCA, Cameron Street, Alexandria, Virginia, at  
8:00 P.M. (S)(u)

Mr. OWEN, Alexandria 1361, Collector of Taxes, City Hall, Alexandria,  
Virginia, on May 13, 1947, informed IRVING KAPLAN that he had failed to report  
his income tax for last year. OWEN further stated that he had written KAPLAN  
a couple of times concerning this matter but had received no reply. KAPLAN  
was requested to appear at the City Hall, Room 8, to discuss this matter. KAPLAN  
said he had paid no attention to OWEN'S previous letter on the matter as he was  
out of the country when earning the taxable income and he did not see how the  
income tax return would apply to him. OWEN said that the State of Virginia would  
penalize him 100% for failure to submit an income tax return. OWEN said that if  
KAPLAN does not appear to discuss this matter he will consider that KAPLAN refused  
to file the return. KAPLAN agreed to appear before Mr. OWEN. (S)(u)

Later that same day LILLIE PATTERSON (phonetic) informed DOROTHY KAPLAN  
that HENRY WALLACE was going to speak at the Watergate on June 10 under the (S)(u)

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\* sponsorship of the Washington Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. (S)(u)

On May 15, 1947, IRVING KAPLAN and PALMER WEBER discussed at length what interest PHIL MURRAY of the CIO has in guaranteed wages. WEBER stated that it is his belief that MURRAY is vitally interested and that there should be a staff to work out wages for the CIO. KAPLAN stated that this work should be done on a part-time basis only. Thereafter KAPLAN asked WEBER what he thought of the labor bill and whether he thought "they" would override a veto. WEBER answered that it was a 50 50 toss up, however, he added that he thought "we can get 34 votes if we do our work". (S)(u)

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RE: MARY JANE KEENEY;  
PHILIP OLIN KEENEY

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The following investigation for the period April 15 to April 30, 1947, was conducted by Special Agent COURTLAND J. JONES.

Confidential Informant <sup>b2 b7D</sup> has made available certain correspondence directed by PHILIP OLIN KEENEY, or ANGUS as he is more commonly known, to MARY JANE KEENEY. This correspondence is of interest and excerpts are being set forth as follows.

Under date of March 16, 1947, ANGUS in Tokyo wrote the following to MARY JANE:

"Beloved,

"It is going to be difficult living through the final month before your arrival. So many things are popping all over the world. The situation grows more tense. The recall of all Soviet ambassadors may be for 'routine' consultations and they may presage events to come that will not add up to peace in our time. If UN falls apart now there will be little to bring big and little nations together. CHURCHILL is running true to form supporting TRUMAN's speech although he tries to point out that Great Britain is appeasing no one. We are immersed in all of the contradictions which make up our economy and refuse to accept any solution which can settle the smallest problem peacefully."

Under date of March 17, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I am sorry about the delay in passport by I can not think it is serious. I want you to have as long as you want in San Francisco. You deserve a real visit there. It sounds as if your reception was a bang up occasion. I don't know what certain others think but I am proud you pulled it off so ably. If it begets anything detrimental so what. We are lined up to follow one true course and the path is full of tangles. This action will not militate against your passport. If it is held up it will be for other reasons and if it is I am not the guy to fight it out here even if the Japanese librarians think so.

"Labor in Japan has united on the entertainment program which lasts 60 days. General Headquarters seems to be very much worried and I am sure the delegates will be kept under wraps as much as possible. The delegates ought to fire the election, that is put-dynamite under labors' efforts in the elections. I don't know how far

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stick my neck out. Hence, I wish you were here to feel out the situation. The general situation is tightening up due to TRUMAN, et al. I don't pretend to be a 100% labor expert but I am as well equipped to handle this situation as Ted and his cohorts. I hear that ~~DEVERALL~~ is much worried as he sees the whole WFTU has died in the wool C's. I was deeply touched by ~~DICK~~'s ~~VERANSTEN~~ (RICHARD ~~VERANSTEN~~) note. I am sure your visit was greatly appreciated. Both of us have a lot to offer. I was also pleased with the School's attitude by our efforts (the Jefferson School of Social Science, NYC). We have much to do in a comparatively short space of time unless there is a general collapse."

On March 18, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"Your letters reaching me today, plus the clippings, deepened my over-sense of anxiety. Our last ten years have been full of dangers but they have been worthwhile. We have seldom appeased any power stronger than ourselves and this record may rise up to taunt us now. I can not see any reason for preventing our joining forces in Japan when we scan the kinds of visas which have been issued the last two years. If we are held apart now at this really vital point, I shall not try to remain much longer. There may be repercussion here in Tokyo. Be that as it may, we must be prepared to take it in our stride. The whole world where we have played a part is in a panic. This new move on the part of the man behind the silken screen betokens something unexpected.

"Nippon Times reports that the JCP is supporting that great Christian TAGAWA who wants to be governor of Tokyo. He is said to be the farthest 'left' of any candidate and is backed by all the unions.

"Our letters must have crossed in mid-Pacific when we told each other how we felt in this crisis. Even if as PEARSON reports that the Kremlin is having troubles, I don't see how the USSR can accept all of this wild baiting that is being shot out of the mouths of simps who will never see the writing on the wall."

On March 20, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I had a most encouraging letter from ~~HARRIET~~ (~~EDDY~~) who has great faith in my efforts and sister ~~MYRT~~ (~~EDDY~~) considers me top-hold. I can eat up this kind of pabulum to much better advantage after you join me."

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On March 21, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I find LOUIS ~~SAILLANT~~ is staying at Dai Iti (hotel). I should like to see him. One way of doing so is to go to his room. If my French were as good as yours, I would hardly hesitate. The French situation is still up in the air. The hearings on the Greek issue will produce much sound and fury. Probably many other areas of the globe will be introduced as red herrings if nothing else. The JUDDS et al will want to see CHIANG well bolstered up now that he has undertaken an all-out war.

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"Nippon Times reports an interview given by TOWNSEND in which he warns Japanese labor to shun the JCP. He talked with the president of the Chinese AFL who said Chinese labor was for socialism along democratic lines and that labor conditions were different here from the U.S. TOWNSEND keeps advising Chinese unions to stay out of politics. I hope SAILLANT will whistle a different tune. I went to his door after lunch but got no answer to my knock."

In another letter dated March 21, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I think one of the reasons for my being distraught and terribly upset has been due to the fact that I have no ~~THEO (ATHANASSOV)~~ BOYAN ~~(ATHANASSOF)~~, DAVE (WAML), DOROTHY ~~(TODD)~~, et al to turn to in this great crisis and to pile pelion on ossa the great uncertainty about your coming. . . I fell very low in mind but I am better able to carry on now.

"Moscow is not all applesauce. ~~BIDAULT~~ must have had an important session with JCE. It looks as if France was in for stormy weather over Indo-China. How any sensible person would think that DUCLOUS et al could go along on the plan of subjugation is out of this world."

Under date of April 24, 1947, ANGUS directed a letter to MARY JANE in which he advised that he had received a notice of separation from the War Department, dated April 22, 1947. This notice of separation is as follows:

"General Hdqtrs. Far Eastern Command  
AG 201 Philip O. Keeney  
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"SUBJECT: Notice of Separation  
"TO. Mr. Philip O. Keeney

"1 This is to advise you that action is being taken to effect your separation effective upon your arrival at the point of original

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employment in the U.S., under the provision of civilian personnel regulation 60.3, by reason of disqualification because of information which, if known, would have disqualified you for appointment initially. The pertinent information is documented as secret material, and this headquarters is not authorized to make this material available to you.

"2 Upon your return to the zone of the interior, you may contact the Civil Service Commission as to the effect of this action upon any future application for federal employment.

"3 Orders are being requested for your transportation to the point of hire in the U.D. by the first available army transport. Travel will be at the expense of the government.

S/ "E. M. Conner, Col. inf.,  
Chief Civilian Personnel Sect."

✓ KEENEY also enclosed to MARY JANE a copy of a letter directed by ROGER BALDWIN of the Civil Liberties Union which BALDWIN wrote to the headquarters of the Civil Liberties Union at New York City. It is to be noted that ROGER BALDWIN was in Tokyo at this time. The letter is as follows:

"Tokyo, April 24

"Mr. Clifford Forster,  
Acting Director,  
170 Fifth Ave.  
N.Y.C.,

"Dear Cliff,

"An old client of ours seems to be in trouble here under the new drive to rid the federal service of alleged disloyal elements. He is Dr. Philip O. Keeney, formerly librarian of the University of Montana, and for the last 8 years a federal civil service employee. His wife has also been a federal civil service employee, resigned in 1946, but still on the eligible list. Mr. Keeney has been out here for over a year reorganizing Japanese libraries.

"Recently his wife applied for a passport to join him here, and was refused 'for security reasons.' Swiftly following that he was notified yesterday that he was 'separated' from the service and ordered back to Washington. The notice of April 22, signed by the chief of the civilian personnel section here, stated that he was

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disqualified 'Because of information, which if known would have disqualified you for appointment originally.' The information is 'documented as confidential' and the officials here do not know what it is. The order came from Washington. It evidently arose from an investigation of his wife's application. Nothing here has occurred to occasion it.

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"Although the order referred to regulation No. 60.3, no hearing or charges are furnished as the regulation requires. They are evidently obtainable only in Washington.

"Mr. Keeney will of course return shortly, and will contest it. He will need our help. He should have good counsel in Washington; he knows some, but may need ours. When he puts it up to you, do what you can. He should be an excellent case to test a general principle of procedure affecting personnel in occupied areas. It is silly to call employees back to face hearing there when the matter should be handled here, and if the employee is cleared, be thus enabled to continue his work. It's the system as well as Mr. Keeney that challenges us.

"Yours ever

S/"ROGER BALDWIN  
(Civil Liberties Union)"

HARRIET G. EDDY

Informant **b2 b7D** has made available a letter directed to MARY JANE by HARRIET EDDY and her sister, MYRT, dated April 8, 1947, and it is being set forth as follows:

"863 Creek Drive  
Menlo Park, California  
April 8, 1947

"Dear Mary Jane

"That was most disquieting news that we got last Saturday when we phoned the S.F. library. ~~X~~ Jessica was not there, but the young woman who answered the phone knew that your arrival had been postponed two or more weeks. Is there a hitch in the passport? I hope not. That would be tragic. But we must not be surprised at anything these days.

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"Has anything happened to B. (BOYAN) Athanassov? I have written him two letters with questions and I have not received a reply to either. Is he ill or gone home, or do you suppose he does not want me to go on with the project? It has been weeks since I wrote, and he has always before been very prompt. Is Washington making it difficult for them, too?

"We are working harder than ever on all projects. Constanca wrote from Paris that the same kind of a box of clothing that I sent to 22 girls in southern France would mean much to the women who are working on the Spanish magazine in Paris. C. said it would help their morale and politically. I had another letter from her yesterday saying they are in greater need than they ever were in Mexico. She knows I'd understand that statement, for in the spring of '41 I saw girls who were still wearing the clothes in which they escaped from Barcelona and Madrid. That was when I emptied my suitcases.

"So now I'm sending boxes to the women in Paris. Did you connect with them at 21 Avenue de Champs Elysees? Union de Mujeres Espanolas. Did you meet Mne. Irene Falcon? That is the only name C. gave me. I am waiting for more, as I can send only 11 pounds to one address. I have written also to Emilio (ANDRES) to send me names. I have some good clothing to send, as the committee here lets me go through the collection of clothing and take what I want.

"Angus wrote once that he wished he could have some clothing for the Japanese. Do you plan to take any? I could gather some skirts and sweaters that would be suitable.

"We called on the Burroughs a week ago when we were in B. for the Paul Robeson meeting. They were looking forward to your coming.

"Let us know developments.

"Love from us both  
S/ "MART & HARRIET"

CARL P. GREEN

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Informant has also made available a letter directed by CARL P. GREEN of 1112 16th Street, NW, to MARY JANE under date of April 11, 1947. This letter enclosed a piece of correspondence from TIB LEOF, formerly of Philadelphia, presently living in Taxco, Gro., Mexico. TIB's letter concerned gossip relative to her family and MARY JANE's dog, Marty.

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RICHARD AND RUTH MC KINNEY BRANSTEN

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on the residence of RICHARD BRANSTEN, Westwood, Connecticut, made available a letter directed by MARY JANE KEENEY to the BRANSTENS under date of January 23, 1947. The letter as submitted by the New Haven Office is as follows:

"215 B Street, N.E.  
Washington 2, D.C.  
23 January, 1947

"Dear Ruth and Richard:

"Richard's grand letter warmed my heart, and my only regret was that I couldn't posthaste it to Angus. But I did the next best thing, I shared it and Ruth's with Greg and Helen almost at once. We all feel that you have both been immeasurably matured by this experience, bitter as it has been, and that after you have had time to absorb its lessons, you will both do more effective work. Greg, I think, was inclined toward the belief that you could learn these lessons as well here as abroad, but Helen agreed with me that frequently one of the best methods of katarsis is to change radically one's pattern of living. After a long and exhausting illness (and I've had many in my life), a complete change of scene quickens recuperation, and equally after a hard experience, one's perspective and focus is more rapidly restored to normal if one can look at new scenes and view the familiar through a distant lens.

"If on meeting us, Richard, you found in us 'generosity of judgment, capacity for friendship, kindness and value of other people,' it is only because we had been through a long period of Sturm und Drang, and had had time to get our bearings afterwards. A good many people have always been surprised at our lack of bitterness over the betrayals we met with in the Montana fight, but as we have always replied, we think it is first a waste of human emotion and energy to nourish bitterness (and it always has to be actively nourished to stay alive), and secondly, that if one understands what motivates betrayal, one cannot be bitter--one can only note man's inhumanity caused by so infinitely many varieties of frustrations, and fight the harder against the conditions which make such frustrations inevitable. I say this as comment on Richard's sentence: 'What hurts the most is that never once in all this struggle has anything either of us did in twelve years been remembered.' I know just how physically sore you feel, but I also know that people like you will not nourish the bruise.

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"Angus writes from Tokyo that I may be able to join him as early as May. I'm not letting this unexpected good news excite my hopes unduly, but it is wonderful to know that our reunion may be sooner than we dared anticipate. I think I'll come up to New York for a week either late next month or early in March, so that I shall surely see you, before you are off in the opposite direction.

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"Conditions in Japan are worsening as inflation mounts higher and production stays low, due to uncertainties over removal of capital equipment in reparation, shortages of raw material, breakdown in trade, and all the complex causes of economic stagnation. I am greatly disturbed by what Angus writes of the increasingly onerous regulations hedging in the U.S. civilians employed in the occupation, for they will make it very difficult to recruit competent people. And lack of competent people who are also resourceful human beings was one of the reasons, I felt last winter in Berlin, for our failure in Germany. I was aghast at the people I saw coming in then--people I'd known well in war agencies in Washington as ineffective and inadequate, to say nothing of their being personally maladjusted. The conditions under which one lives in Tokyo and Berlin are so abnormal that it takes real character to withstand them. But we aren't sending people of character, we are sending men and women who drink themselves pie-eyed every night to escape from what they cannot understand. More of this when I see you--it's an idee fixe with me. And love, S/ MARY JANE."

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Informant of the Washington Field Division has made available a letter directed by RICHARD ERANSTEN to MARY JANE under date of April 14, 1947, which reads as follows:

"Dear Mary Jane,

"Your letter just arrived, and made Ruth and me heartsick for you and for Angus too. To say we are upset and terribly concerned does not in any way lessen your own anguish, nor does it provide any help. I wish we could do something -- what I am at a loss to say -- to help and to express our concern. What a stinking business -- everything about it, from the red tape and misleading of you to the nastiness and dirtiness of the excuses. We feel more identified naturally than is usually the case, since we are in the midst of packing, and leave in two days and we can easily imagine what this means to you. We hope to get out of here and that no such dreadful thing happens to us --yet we are alarmed and uneasy. And we had come to think of you as on your way and breathed a sigh of relief for you and were happy to know that you and Angus would be together and allowed to perform your useful and meaningful work.

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"Last Tuesday we appeared before the federal grand jury as witnesses on an identification case. We fortunately could never recall having either heard of the person to be identified, and knew nothing of him, and had never seen him before in our lives. But we were afraid that for some less than meaningful reason we would be held over. Fortunately, the prosecutor told us that he did not need us longer. But our scare gave us the sinking feeling that you must have experienced.

"I hope you have some recourse. Again, I wish we could be of some little service in any way. I know that if we can do anything — something we have not thought of or that we are not aware of, you will call on us without hesitation and immediately.

"You have our affection and our concern. We hope that you will let us know more details and how things go when we are in Belgium. So far as Edith Haggard goes, I wouldn't inform her until you are finally convinced you are not going on — and then only that you have changed your mind. But I would try to exploit the contact as much as possible and work from here.

"Love to you and to Angus. Our hopes are with you, and our sympathy and our anger too. This is a poor substitute for doing something. I wish we could be of more immediate aid.

"Love,  
S/ "RICHARD"

COLONEL THOMAS

The New York Office furnished the Washington Field Office with the results of an investigation in an effort to identify COLONEL THOMAS. The New York Office had been advised that GEORGE RYDER FAXON and his wife, JEANETTE DUNLOP FAXON, as well as JOSEPHINE THUSLOW ADAMS, are known to be acquainted with COLONEL THOMAS. The information developed by the New York Office is as follows:

A review of the files of the New York Office reflects no information concerning GEORGE RYDER FAXON and his wife, JEANETTE DUNLOP FAXON, other than that contained in the instant file. It is of possible interest to note, however, that Special Agent THEODORE G. KIRSCHNER of the New York Office had advised that he is well acquainted personally with Mr. and Mrs. FAXON, having met them while he was a student at Harvard Law School during the academic year 1940-41. Special Agent KIRSCHNER declared that he became acquainted with the FAXONS through a mutual acquaintance and that he saw them a number of

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times at formal social gatherings. Special Agent KIRSCHNER has not seen the SAXONS since his graduation from Harvard Law School in 1941, but recalls definitely that both were outspoken Communists.

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JOSEPHINE TRUSLOW ADAMS

By letter dated May 3, 1947, the Bureau furnished the following information relative to JOSEPHINE TRUSLOW ADAMS which is of interest. The information is set forth as follows:

During the investigation of MARY JANE KEENEY and her husband, PHILIP, information has been developed that one of their close New York contacts is JOSEPHINE TRUSLOW ADAMS. Information has likewise been received through highly confidential sources that JOSEPHINE ADAMS has been in contact with the late President ROOSEVELT and his wife.

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In substantiation of this information the New York Field Division advised in a letter to the Bureau, dated March 29, 1947, that according to its confidential informant [REDACTED] JOSEPHINE TRUSLOW ADAMS was the intermediary

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between ~~EARL~~ BROWDER and the ROOSEVELT family, including the late President ROOSEVELT, from the time EARL BROWDER was released from prison until he was deposed as the leader of the Communist Political Association. JOSEPHINE ADAMS collected information from the White House and turned it over to BROWDER which information, according to the informant, undoubtedly found its way to Moscow. The informant stated that he knew of this situation because he had been told of the function of JOSEPHINE ADAMS on several occasions by different comrades, and on one occasion he was told of the important function of JOSEPHINE ADAMS by EARL BROWDER. The informant did not elaborate any further.

ANNA KRAVCHENKO (X) u

It is to be noted that PHILIP OLIN KEENEY has been in correspondence with the above captioned individual who resides in Moscow. Numerous references have also been made by HARRIET EDDY to this individual. By letter dated May 3, 1947, the San Francisco Office furnished the following information regarding KRAVCHENKO: (S) u

On March 10, 1941, a mail cover on HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY, then residing at 975 Euclid Avenue, Berkeley, California, indicated she received a letter bearing the return address A. KRAVCHENKO, Moscow 72, Serafinovich 2, Entrance 6, Apartment 22. This was a registered letter bearing Registration No. 793. (S) u

On October 8, 1944, a confidential source advised that HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY received a letter from ANNA KRAVCHENKO from Moscow, Russia, and that this letter was a request by KRAVCHENKO for material and instructions in microphotography for use in Russia. (S) u

On April 2, 1945, the United States Postal Censorship intercepted a letter from A. G. EDDY, 2400 Dewart Avenue, Berkeley, California, signed OLGA L. EDDY, addressed to ANNA KRAVCHENKO, Moscow 78, 2 Serafinovich Street, Entrance 6, Apartment 122, USSR. This letter contained a message to the effect that ALFRED's last words were that "any money left after our death should be willed to you. I have requested DERRIL and FRANK SCHNEIDER to take complete control of this money which may be only a small sum. Will you write and make suggestions for its use? ALFRED was more interested in constructive things, education and aviation, than in books. I know the library is close to your heart, but HARRIET will always see that books are provided." (S) u

On May 6, 1946, HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY received an air mail letter from ANNA KRAVCHENKO. A confidential source advised that KRAVCHENKO indicated in this letter that she was writing a book concerning library work abroad and requested HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY to send her autobiography in connection with the writing of the book. The object of the book was to show the democratic forces behind library work. (S) u

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~~\*VIEWS.~~ ANNA KRAVTCHENKO asked if HARRIET GERTRUDE EDDY had seen JUAN KRAVTCHENKO said she had asked him to write the last chapter of her book entitled "What Has Been Contributed to Library Work Through the Spanish Struggle for Freedom." KRAVTCHENKO mentioned that "this work becomes an expression of three peoples—the American, Spanish and Russian—united by one common aim, the spreading of true knowledge among the broadest masses." ~~u~~

### ~~\*CONGRESS OF AMERICAN WOMEN~~

On March 8, 1947, the Congress of American Women gave a reception at Pierce Hall, 16th and Harvard Streets, Washington, D.C. which was attended by MARY JANE KEENEY and other individuals under investigation. Individuals were observed to attend the reception who came in a 1938 Dodge sedan, bearing 1946 Virginia license 473-243. The Richmond Office determined that this automobile is registered to G. ~~X~~COLLIER, 832 South Courthouse Road, Arlington, Virginia.

The occupants of a 1939 Chevrolet sedan, bearing 1946 Virginia license 474-440, were also observed to attend this reception. This automobile is registered to RICHARD K. ~~X~~COOK and DOROTHY S. ~~X~~COOK, 1510 South Edgewood Street, Arlington, Virginia.

### MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

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Informant has also advised that under date of March 4, 1947, MARY JANE and ANGUS KEENEY received a letter from the Washington, D. C. chapter of the ~~X~~Union for Democratic Action, 819 13th Street, NW. This letter called attention to the conference that was held in Washington on January 3, 1947, under the sponsorship of the Union for Democratic Action of 150 "nationally known liberals." These individuals formed the ~~X~~Americans for Democratic Action, using the Union for Democratic Action as a base. Five hundred individuals in Washington are affiliated with the Union for Democratic Action and MARY JANE and ANGUS were requested to become affiliated with the organization.

MARY JANE was also the recipient of a letter, dated April 8, 1947, from the Spanish Refugee appeal of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, 192 Lexington Avenue, New York City. This letter indicated that on March 31, 1947, the Federal Grand Jury issued an indictment against HELEN R. ~~X~~BYLAN, executive secretary of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee for her refusal to surrender the organization's books and records to the LOD-RANKIN Committee of Congress. The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee secured the counsel of Mr. O. JOHN ~~X~~ROGGE, former Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice. MARY JANE was requested to contribute funds to be used for medicines, surgical care and hospitalization for Spanish republicans.

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Informant *b6 b7C* has advised that MARY JANE received a bulletin entitled "Better Race Relations" by MARGARET ~~HALSEY~~. This is the second of a number of bulletins issued by Miss ~~HALSEY~~ who resides in New York City.

#### INSTITUTE OF PACIFIC RELATIONS

Under date of April 10, 1947, MARY JANE received a summary report of the Annapolis Regional Conference of the Institute of Pacific Relations. This report is not being set forth but will be maintained in the files of the Washington Field Division.

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES

On April 24, 1947, Special Agents WILLIAM R. CORNELISON, CHARLES G. CLEVELAND, and W. RAYMOND WANNALL instituted a surveillance on MARY JANE KEENEY at 2:15 p.m. At this time she was observed in Room 2 of the old State Department Building which is the office of ~~COVEY~~ OLIVER, attached to the Division of German and Austrian Economic Affairs. MARY JANE was observed to depart from this office at 2:32 p.m. and to proceed to Room 173 of the old State Department Office Building. This room is assigned to JOHN B. ~~HOWARD~~, assistant legal advisor.

At 3:00 p.m. MARY JANE departed from Mr. ~~HOWARD~~'s office and proceeded on foot to the office of LUCIEN ~~HILMER~~ located at 17th and I Streets, NW. She remained there for approximately 30 minutes and then walked to the office of ALLAN ROSENBERG located on Jefferson Place, NW. The surveillance was maintained until 4:20 p.m. at which time MARY JANE was still in the office of ALLAN ROSENBERG.

Special Agent COURTLAND J. JONES conducted a surveillance on MARY JANE KEENEY on April 26, 1947. At 7:40 p.m. she was observed to leave her apartment and to proceed by automobile to the vicinity of 16th and L Streets, NW. At 7:50 p.m. CARL GREEN was observed to depart from the Pall Mall Apartments and enter MARY JANE's car. They thereafter drove to the 3700 block of 39th Street, NW, where they parked the automobile and proceeded to hunt for an apartment. At 8:30 p.m. they were observed to enter Apartment C, 3500 39th Street. It is occupied by SHIRLEY ~~JENKINS~~ who is the wife of DAVID ROSS ~~JENKINS~~. At 8:43 p.m. a man was observed to drive up to the building in an automobile bearing D.C. tags 98-805, and to thereafter enter the ~~JENKINS~~' apartment. This license registration was issued to ALICE G. ~~THORNER~~, 4522 49th Street, NW, and the man using the car is believed to be her husband, DAN ~~THORNER~~.

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At 8:58 p.m. a Negro man was observed to walk down the street and thereafter enter SHIRLEY JENKINS' apartment. This Negro man is described as follows:

Age	35 to 40
Height	5'10"
Weight	165
Build	Medium-slender
Hair	Slightly bald, grayish

At 9:20 p.m. HENRY H. ~~WARE~~, 1024 North Montana Street, Arlington, Virginia, and a woman companion were observed to drive up in a 1940 Buick coupe, bearing 1947 Virginia tags 143-660. They were observed to enter SHIRLEY JENKINS' apartment.

MARY JANE and CARL GREEN left the JENKINS' apartment at 9:30 p.m. and proceeded to the residence of HARRIET ~~SIMONS~~, arriving at 10:50 p.m. Automobiles belonging to DAVID R. WAHL and CHET SINCLAIR were observed parked in the vicinity.

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On April 16, 1947, Mr. ~~RAGSDALE~~ of Senator JAMES MURRAY's office contacted MARY JANE and advised her that his office was in receipt of a letter from Mrs. RUTH ~~SHIPLEY~~ of the Passport Division, United States Department of State. Mr. ~~RAGSDALE~~ informed MARY JANE that this letter stated that Mrs. SHIPLEY said she was unable to secure the security clearance necessary for MARY JANE to travel to a military area. MARY JANE then informed ~~RAGSDALE~~ that if she does not have military clearance it is because Mrs. SHIPLEY had seen to it that it had been taken away. MARY JANE was then advised by Mr. ~~RAGSDALE~~ to take the matter up with the War Department. MARY JANE then asked that Mr. ~~RAGSDALE~~ inform JOHN ~~FEURIFOY~~ of the State Department of Mrs. SHIPLEY's letter.

On April 16, 1947, JAY ~~ROBINSON~~ contacted MARY JANE, asking if she had heard from MAYNARD ~~GERTLER~~. MARY JANE replied in the negative and ROBINSON stated that ~~MAYNARD~~ was in town on April 15 and had called him up. MARY JANE then said that she would attend a dinner Friday at the Cathay restaurant. MARY JANE next contacted Colonel ~~DEAGLE~~ of the War Department advising him of the letter received from Mrs. SHIPLEY, stating that she was not receiving a passport because it was a security matter. ~~DEAGLE~~ informed MARY JANE that her military authorization to proceed to Japan had been withdrawn due to the recommendations of the Department of State. She then asked if the State Department

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indicated a willingness to issue her a passport with the War Department to give her military clearance. She received an affirmative reply.

MARY JANE then contacted DAVID R. WAHL informing him of her conversations with Mr. R. GSDIE and Colonel DE GLE. WAHL appeared incensed by the brush-off given Senator MURRAY's office by Mrs. SHIPLEY and stated that Senator MURRAY's office should follow through on the matter. DAVE suggested that MARY JANE contact Mrs. RAMSDELL in Senator TOBEY's office and advise her of the brush-off that Senator MURRAY's office received. DAVE said that Senator TOBEY should have that information when he talked to DE WACHESON concerning MARY JANE's case.

DAVE then remarked that the news appearing in the newspaper that day was staggering and that he never expected the British to hang the insurrectionists in Jerusalem.

The next contact on April 16, 1947, of interest was between MARY JANE KEENEY and ALIX REUTHER. MARY JANE informed ALIX of the latest developments regarding her passport and also said she had received a letter from ANGUS KEENEY indicating that ANGUS was going to fold up and return to the United States. ALIX said that ANGUS must have some people in Japan to talk to and MARY JANE said there are not any people there he can speak freely with. MARY JANE expressed the opinion that the stir created by HENRY WALLACE was not doing her any good but ALIX assured MARY JANE that WALLACE's speeches had nothing to do with her passport application.

ALIX then asked the surname of MARY JANE's friend in Puerto Rico to which MARY JANE replied that it was MAXWELL WEISMAN. ALIX then said she had read an article in the Washington Post concerning the American Youth for Democracy which mentioned an individual named MAX WEISS.

The conversation then turned to numerous things and ALIX mentioned that her office had received efficiency ratings that day but that she did not receive one. ALIX then read MARY JANE an account from the New York Times showing that French officials attempted to avoid entertaining HENRY WALLACE while he was visiting in Paris. MARY JANE asked if ALIX had read the article in the day's paper concerning GERHART EISLER.

On April 17, 1947, BOWEN SMITH contacted MARY JANE at which time he informed her that he had contacted Miss IRENE BERMAN, secretary to Major General ~~WILDERING~~, U.S. Department of State, regarding MARY JANE's passport. BOWEN went into great detail concerning the information he told Miss BERMAN and said there was no reason he knew why MARY JANE should not get a passport. MARY JANE brought him up to date regarding her own efforts to find out why she had not been issued a passport.

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~~MARY MORSE~~ suggested that MARY JANE inform Senators MURRAY, TOBEY and BOWEN that he, BOWEN, was receiving calls every week on the new security check in the Department of State. MARY JANE said that the State Department had no reason to make a security check on her because she is not employed in the government now. BOWEN then asked if MARY JANE would attend the square dance on April 18 and MARY JANE replied that she was having dinner with JAY ROBINSON on that evening and that she would attempt to take the crowd to the square dance after dinner.

The next contact of interest was between MARY JANE and DOROTHY TODD at which time MARY JANE said she would visit DOROTHY around 5:15 that afternoon. ✓

MARY JANE then contacted MARY PLAVNICK asking if MARY would be free for lunch that day. MARY answered in the negative and they made a tentative engagement for lunch on Monday, April 21st.

On April 18, 1947, MARY JANE contacted DAVID WAHL saying that she thought she would recontact the senators regarding her passport but wondered if she should "in view of this other thing," apparently referring to the contact she and DAVE WAHL had with CREEKMORE FATH of the Democratic National Committee. WAHL replied that the State Department might "shoot it right through and not ask any questions if it is the party" possibly meaning the Democratic Party. DAVE advised MARY JANE to have the senators contact DEAN ACHESON or JOHN FEURLOY.

DAVE then mentioned that BOWEN SMITH had a conversation with Mrs. SHIPLEY which was not at all satisfactory and suggested that MARY JANE contact BOWEN regarding it and have him make a transcript of his conversation with SHIPLEY. MARY JANE expressed concern that Mrs. SHIPLEY had instituted proceedings against ANGUS KEENEY and DAVE said that he did not believe that would be the case and thought that MARY JANE's denial of a passport worked on a purely routine basis.

DAVE asked if MARY JANE had received any information regarding her passport from SYLVIA (SCHIMMEL?). MARY JANE said that SYLVIA only confirmed what information she already knew and that SYLVIA did not know BOYKIN.

MARY JANE and DAVE discussed a trip they contemplated to New York on the weekend of April 19th and it was decided they would probably return to Washington on Tuesday, April 22nd.

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MARY JANE then contacted BOWEN SMITH at which time he went into great detail concerning the brush-off he received at the Department of State through Major General HILDERING's office. BOWEN said he was so angry he could not even talk the matter over with his wife after his contact with the State Department. Specifically, BOWEN related that he contacted a girl in HILDERING's office who appeared very cooperative but when he called her back she left the phone momentarily. He then redialed and was informed that Mrs. SHIPLEY desired to speak with him. BOWEN related that he informed Mrs. SHIPLEY that he felt personally responsible for the separation of MARY JANE and ANGUS due to the fact that he had been incidental in sending MARY JANE to Europe and ANGUS to Japan. BOWEN then elaborated on the inconvenience that MARY JANE had been afforded regarding her plans to go to Japan. Mrs. SHIPLEY, according to BOWEN, then informed him that she had already explained to Senators MURRAY, MORSE and TOBEY all of whom Mrs. KEENEY had persuaded to call in her behalf, that it was a security matter which could not be discussed. BOWEN then reminded Mrs. SHIPLEY that MARY JANE was no longer employed in the government and that he did not believe the security rules applied to her. At this point Mrs. SHIPLEY corrected SMITH's impression and informed him that the rules applied to occupied countries, even to dependent wives.

BOWEN said he reminded Mrs. SHIPLEY that when MARY JANE went to Europe in 1945 she received a passport in 48 hours. He could not understand why she would be denied one now. Mrs. SHIPLEY then informed BOWEN that there was really nothing he could do or MARY JANE could do that would alter the situation.

MARY JANE then suggested that it would be valuable if BOWEN made a transcript of his conversation with Mrs. SHIPLEY in order that MARY JANE might give it to the senators who were interested in the case. BOWEN said it appeared that Mrs. SHIPLEY's office is alerted on the KEENEY case and that only she, Mrs. SHIPLEY, was allowed to discuss the matter.

On April 18, 1947, Mrs. BOYANATH NASSOV contacted MARY JANE asking if she would be free on Monday, April 21st. Mrs. NATHANASSOV explained that she had invited the DAVID WALLS and the PHILIP DUNAWAYS over that evening. MARY JANE said that she would be unable to accept the invitation because she was going to New York with DAVID WAHL.

MARY JANE next cancelled her luncheon engagement with MARY FLAVNICK.

JAY ROBINSON contacted MARY JANE on April 18th asking if she had heard from MAYNARD GERTLER to which she replied in the negative. ROBINSON said GERTLER must have returned to New York since he had not heard from him again. MARY JANE then suggested that after the dinner that evening she and JAY ROBINSON and the group attend the square dance given to raise money for the

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~~X~~ Highlander Folk School. MARY JANE explained that CLAYTON SMITH, BOWEN's wife, was sponsoring this dance and that it would be held at Pierce Hall. ROBINSON did not answer MARY JANE's inquiry regarding the dance but commented that the group that was to attend the dinner that evening was a fairly liberal bunch.

BOWEN SMITH recontacted MARY JANE on April 18th, advising her that he had finished the transcript and that he believed it would make Mrs. SHIPLEY mad. BOWEN said that at the end of the statement he would completely identify himself as having served in the federal government and would state that he was shocked and surprised that MARY JANE was not issued a passport.

On April 22, 1947, MARY JANE contacted ALIX REUTHER advising her she had just returned from New York. They discussed the weather in New York and MARY JANE said she had seen URSULA WASSERMAN and borrowed a raincoat from her. ALIX asked if MARY JANE had seen ALLEY (phonetic) ~~X~~ JAYSON and MARY JANE answered she had spoken to her on the telephone. MARY JANE said that ALLEY asked that ALIX call ANDY OLDER since ALLEY had corresponded with ANDY OLDER about the distribution of the JOHANNES STEEL letters to small town newspapers. ALIX said that ALLEY had received a cable from STEEL in which he stated he had an interview with Marshal ~~X~~ TITO. Continuing MARY JANE said that ALLEY was upset about ~~X~~ SHEEHAN in the ad, apparently referring to a newspaper advertisement.

7 MARY JANE then brought ALIX up-to-date on her passport difficulties and commented that nothing happened in New York. MARY JANE said that she had seen MIKE and MARION GREENBURG at URSULA WASSERMAN's party on Saturday night, April 19, 1947. ~~X~~ and KATHLEEN ~~X~~ SEVIN were also at the party, as well as several of URSULA's colleagues at the UNO.

~~X~~ LEVIN MARY JANE accepted ALIX's invitation to dinner on April 22nd. ALIX remarked that ~~X~~ FREIDA (phonetic) was at her apartment.

April 23, 1947, HARRIET SIMONS contacted MARY JANE and invited her to a party that she was giving for PHILIP DUNAWAY on Saturday, April 26th. MARY JANE accepted the invitation. She asked how MARY JANE was progressing with her passport application and said that she had spoken with CHARLIE ~~X~~ CLIFT (phonetic) but had received no answer. HARRIET continued that she would keep nagging them to do something about MARY JANE's passport.

ALIX REUTHER contacted MARY JANE on April 22nd and said she would leave her key to the apartment in the mail box so MARY JANE could come any time she desired. MARY JANE said she would probably not arrive until after

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6:00 p.m. MARY JANE commented she had spoken to ANDY OLDER that morning, saying she would answer ALLEY JAYSON.

ALICE THORNER then made a luncheon engagement with MARY JANE at the Library of Congress Annex at 12:30 that day.

DAVID WAHL contacted MARY JANE saying that CREEKMORE FATH was not in his office but was expected soon. DAVID WAHL then commented that he, himself, had examined his passport which was issued in June of 1946. It indicated that it was good for two years.

RENEE GUTHMAN of the Institute of Pacific Relations contacted MARY JANE advising that OWEN JONES of the Department of State and presently head of the National Economic Planning Board in Japan, would speak at an off-the-record meeting of the IPR at 5:30 p.m. on April 24th. MARY JANE said that she hoped to attend. MARY JANE asked if there were any members of the IPR who were Negroes to which RENEE replied that RALPH BUNCH was the only one.

The next contact of interest was between MARY JANE and CREEKMORE FATH at the National Democratic Committee headquarters. FATH stated that Mrs. SHIPLEY's office of the State Department informed him the War Department had withdrawn its application for MARY JANE's passport. FATH said he intended to write JOHN PEURIFOY saying that the Democratic National Committee was interested in MARY JANE's case, desired the full details and would do everything possible it could for her.

MARY JANE recontacted DAVID WAHL informing him of her conversation with FATH. MARY JANE said further that she was going to stop in Senator MURRAY's office that afternoon.

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After her visit with the senator, MARY JANE contacted WAHL and informed him that Mrs. RAMSDELL in Senator TOBEY's office conversed with Mrs. SHIPLEY and had put the conversation on the sound-scriber. Mrs. RAMSDELL pressed Mrs. SHIPLEY for the reason MARY JANE was denied a passport and was informed that one of the reasons was MARY JANE had been connected with the Washington Cooperative Bookshop. MARY JANE replied that she did not know that the Washington Cooperative Bookshop was one of the organizations declared as subversive by the Attorney General and that she, MARY JANE, had not been on the board of trustees at the Bookshop since 1941. Continuing MARY JANE related that she informed Mrs. RAMSDELL that she had discussed the matter of her being a member of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop with the Civil Service Commission which cleared her for government employment. MARY JANE continued that she spoke with Senator WAYNE MORSE's assistant and it was decided that Senator TOBEY and Senator MORSE should discuss the matter with DEAN ACHESON.

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DAVID WAHL expressed considerable disgust over the fact that MARY JANE was denied a passport because she had been a member of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop and MARY JANE then reminded him that Mrs. SHIPLEY maintained that it was only one thing she had against MARY JANE.

MARY JANE then informed DAVE that she had spoken with DAN THORNER at lunch who suggested that BUCKLES who is employed by Congressman SABBOTH might be able to assist MARY JANE in securing a passport. DAVE did not agree with DAN THORNER, saying that SABBOTH has been a thorn in the side of the State Department. Continuing MARY JANE said that DAN THORNER suggested that BILLY REMINGTON could be of assistance. Neither MARY JANE nor DAVE WAHL were acquainted with REMINGTON.

The next contact of any interest on April 23, 1947, was between MARY JANE and MILDRED GRAZE at which time MARY JANE said she would visit the GRAZES on Sunday, April 27th. Graze

SARAH KABAT, wife of HERMAN KABAT, contacted MARY JANE on April 23rd at which time MARY JANE informed her that she had seen BENEDICT and ETHEL ~~ALPER~~ in New York. It was decided that MARY JANE would visit the KABATS soon.

MARY JANE then contacted HULDA ~~FLYNN~~ informing her that she had seen the ~~ALPERS~~ in New York and that she would come over and personally tell HULDA the news.

On April 24, 1947, MARY JANE contacted DAVE WAHL informing him she was going to write another memorandum to Senator TOBEY before TOBEY had his conversation with DEAN ACHESON. MARY JANE explained that Mrs. RANSDELL in Senator TOBEY's office was informed by Mrs. SHIPLEY that MARY JANE was not a good security risk and there was a doubt of her loyalty. Mrs. SHIPLEY stated that MARY JANE had been a member of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop so MARY JANE desired to give Senator TOBEY a memorandum showing that the matter of her being a member of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop was the subject of a discussion in an administrative hearing with the Civil Service Commission. MARY JANE reasoned that obviously her replies at the Civil Service hearing were satisfactory inasmuch as she received clearance and furthermore she had been engaged in highly confidential work throughout the war. MARY JANE continued that she was going to list the names of the individuals with whom she was engaged in highly confidential work and that if there was any doubt as to her loyalty it could be proved by contact with these individuals. DAVE thought that that was a good idea and MARY JANE asked him for the titles of COVEY T. ~~OLIVER~~ and JOHN B. HOWARD with whom she had contact and who are now employed by the Department of State. WAHL advised that OLIVER is in the Division of German and Austrian Economic Affairs and HOWARD is in the Legal Economic Affairs Branch.

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MARY JANE thereafter made an appointment with Mr. JOHN HOWARD on Extension 305 at the State Department to see him in his office, Room 173, Old State Department Building, at 2:45 that afternoon. She also made an appointment with Mr. COVEY T. OLIVER to see him in Room 2 of the Old State Department Office Building at 2:00 that afternoon.

MARY JANE thereafter made appointments with LUCIE HILMER and ALLAN ROSENBERG for that afternoon.

On April 24, 1947, MARY JANE also had contact with ALIX REUTHER. MARY JANE explained that she had visited with COVEY T. OLIVER and JOHN B. HOWARD that afternoon and they were terribly shocked that she had been denied a passport and were willing to do anything they could to assist her.

MARY JANE then contacted HULDA FLYNN advising she was going to drive over and see her that evening.

ALICE JONES contacted MARY JANE on April 24, 1947, at which time MARY JANE told her about the Chinese dinner that J. V. ROBINSON promoted. MARY JANE said that LARRY MORRIS and his wife, MISS HARRIS, MISS BAUMGARTNER, and Mr. WALTON, as well as several other people whose names she could not recall, were at the party. ALICE said HARRIS and BAUMGARTNER were her immediate colleagues and MARY JANE remarked she considered them very lively. MARY JANE commented that the main topic of discussion at the dinner was WILLIS' remarks on his resignation from Moscow and that LARRY MORRIS condemned WILLIS as being a "damned fool" who had done great harm to the program.

On April 25, 1947, STANLEY GRAZE contacted MARY JANE and cancelled an engagement they had with her on Sunday, April 27, 1947. He explained that they were going to New York the weekend after next and would contact MARY JANE upon their return.

MARY JANE next had contact with LUCILE EZEKIEL. The conversation was social and LUCILE suggested that Mrs. HARRIS might be of assistance with MARY JANE's passport difficulties.

On April 25, 1947, MARY JANE contacted ROSE ALPHEE at which time ROSE invited MARY JANE for dinner on April 29, 1947.

The next contact of interest was between MARY JANE and THEO THANASSOV. They agreed they would get together on May 1, 1947.

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MARY JANE next contacted HELEN SILVERMASTER saying she would be out in their neighborhood and would like to drop by. It was agreeable with HELEN.

SARAH KABAT was contacted by MARY JANE on April 25th at which time MARY JANE stated she would visit SARAH on April 26th about 3:30 p.m.

On April 25, 1947, BOWEN SMITH contacted MARY JANE at which time they discussed the square dance given by the Highlander Folk School. BOWEN said that they had grossed about \$500. At a cocktail party they received \$100 and the school had two radio programs, one on WQQW and the other on WADC. BOWEN discussed the Highlander Folk School in great detail and said that his wife had arranged an interview with FRANK GERVASI (phonetic) and one with ANGUS MC DONALD.

MARY JANE said that her situation was quite discouraging. BOWEN remarked that at a party at the Spingards (phonetic) he, BOWEN, took the liberty of discussing MARY JANE's situation with Senator GLENN TAYLOR. TAYLOR was very sympathetic and seemed to have the attitude that "we are all going to be in jail anyway." MARY JANE said she had observed far too much of that defeatist attitude which was one of the things that discouraged her the most. BOWEN said that Senator TAYLOR was shaking his head and wringing his hands.

BOWEN said that he had also discussed MARY JANE's case with EVELYN COOPER who was genuinely furious about MARY JANE's situation. EVELYN informed BOWEN that perhaps MARY JANE might secure a position with the War Department and then arrange a transfer to Japan. EVELYN's husband, BOB COOPER, suggested that MARY JANE see Major SMITH in the Civil Affairs Division of the War Department.

MARY JANE then explained that CREEKMORE FATH had been able to learn nothing because she believes he had a run-in with someone in the State Department. However, he indicated that he would contact JOHN PEURIFOY.

MARY JANE said she also knew Senator MURRAY had written JOHN PEURIFOY a very stiff letter.

MARY JANE then related to BOWEN the results of Mrs. RUSSELL's conversation with Mrs. SHIPLEY in which MARY JANE had been said to be a member of the Washington Cooperative Bookshop and not a very good security risk.

MARY JANE then had a conversation with EVELYN COOPER who suggested she contact Major C. H. SMITH in Room 3-B-863, Pentagon Building, to see if she could secure a job. MARY JANE then read Mrs. COOPER excerpts from a newspaper entitled the "Daily People's World" (Communist publication in San Francisco) which concerned the cartel situation in Germany.

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On April 26, 1947, SHIRLEY JENKINS contacted MARY JANE saying a very nice man was coming down to visit her and she was having a few people in for cocktails that evening. SHIRLEY invited CARL GREEN and MARY JANE. She continued she thought MARY JANE would be interested because the party was for E. B. MITNER. MARY JANE said she had met MITNER in California in about 1937. They agreed that MITNER is a perfectly delightful individual. MARY JANE commented that ERIC REECROFT informed her that MITNER is employed by United Nations. MARY JANE said she and CARL GREEN would probably attend the cocktail party. SHIRLEY gave her address as 3500 39th Street, NW, which she said was just across the street from M. YNARD GENTLER.

MARY JANE then contacted CARL GREEN at which time they agreed to go out to SHIRLEY JENKINS' party. GREEN informed MARY JANE that he was having difficulties at WQQ, and complained they only paid him \$30.00 a week.

*\*Radio Station*  
On April 27, 1947, MARY JANE contacted ROSE ALPHER, saying that she was ill and she desired to see ISIDORE ALPHER. ROSE promised to have ISIDORE contact MARY JANE.

MARY JANE next contacted DAVE WAHL saying that she has the intestinal flu and therefore she would be unable to see DAVE.

ALIX REUTHER contacted MARY JANE on April 27th at which time they discussed MARY JANE's illness and ALIX said that HAROLD had come in and was in her apartment at that time. ALIX asked if MARY JANE had read HENRY WALLACE's "Report on Britain" which appeared in New Republic magazine. MARY JANE had not read it but expected to. ALIX remarked that ANDY OLDER and his wife were coming to visit ALIX on April 28th.

HARRIET SIMONS contacted MARY JANE at which time MARY JANE said the party that HARRIET gave the preceding evening was enjoyable.

LUCY COMELIN was in contact with MARY JANE on April 27th. MARY JANE said she had not seen any of LUCY's friends in New York but had meant to call HENRIETT BUCKMASTER. LUCY asked if MARY JANE was attempting to secure an apartment in New York to which MARY JANE replied in the affirmative, but said she was not making any intense movement in that direction as she had not made up her mind. MARY JANE commented that PHILIP DUNAWAY had acquired a house on King Street in New York City.

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On April 28, 1947, Mrs. ~~THEO~~ ~~ATHANASSOV~~ contacted MARY JANE saying that her children had gone to radio station WOCW and they intended writing a letter of thanks to CARL GREEN. Mrs. ~~ATHANASSOV~~ related that she had contacted ALIX REUTHER inviting her to the birthday party apparently being given by Mrs. ~~ATHANASSOV~~ on May 1, 1947. Mrs. ~~ATHANASSOV~~ desired to invite HARRIET SIMONS and MARY JANE advised her telephone number is Executive 4095. Continuing Mrs. ~~ATHANASSOV~~ related that Dr. MIC ~~TRBOJEVIC~~ and Ambassador ~~KOSANOVIC~~ are also coming to the party on May 1, 1947. THEO asked if MARY JANE could come to the party and arrive early so that they might have a talk before the party started. MARY JANE next had contact with ALIX REUTHER explaining she did not feel well enough to attend ALIX's party.

The next contact of interest was between Dr. ~~ISIDORE ALPHER~~ and MARY JANE at which time the former prescribed some medicine for MARY JANE and reminded her that he was expecting her to visit him on April 29th.

MARY JANE also contacted SARAH KABAT on April 28th at which time they discussed MARY JANE's illness and her troubles with the passport. MARY JANE asked if SARAH had listened to Secretary of State MARSHALL's report over the radio. SARAH did not hear it and MARY JANE informed her that it was as one would expect. SARAH commented that this is certainly a troublesome period.

MARY JANE had further contact on April 28th with ALIX REUTHER at which time they discussed Secretary of State MARSHALL's report to the nation. ALIX said that the report made her sick.

On April 29, 1947, SAMUEL ~~BLOOMFIELD~~ contacted MARY JANE. MARY JANE expressed a desire to see him but SAM said that he would be busy since he was going to the embassy on Massachusetts Avenue, apparently meaning the British Embassy since it is known that BLOOMFIELD is employed by the British Information Service and recently went to England and France in connection with his position. BLOOMFIELD commented that he heard MARY JANE was having difficulties and MARY JANE said it was true. SAM continued by saying he had heard some other people are in the same position and that some people engaged in education work in Japan may be sent back to this country.

BLOOMFIELD related that he had visited in ~~PARIS~~ ~~NELSON~~ for eight days from the Saturday before Easter and that he had seen PAUL and FRANCINE ~~NELSON~~. SAM said that the NELSONS were swell people, were kind to him, and therefore he is securing a subscription to "Main Street" for them. The NELSONS asked BLOOMFIELD to call SAM and FREDDIE in New York which he had done and which pleased FREDDIE very much. Continuing BLOOMFIELD related that PAUL and FRANCINE NELSON secured an appointment for BLOOMFIELD with LOUIS ~~RAGON~~ (French Communist

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editor of the Paris Communist daily newspaper "Ce Soir" and author of the book entitled "Laurelien"). The interview with ARAGON lasted for an hour and a half and ARAGON talked freely.

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MARY JANE then asked SAM what the situation in France was concerning DE GAULLE. SAM commented that they are rather disturbed about it and there is going to be a battle. SAM commented that "this is the way it was put. We dare not make a mistake." SAM continued by saying that the people in the United States overestimate the 6,000,000 votes but said that the equilibrium is so balanced that the whole situation is quite dangerous in view of the fact that considerable money is being poured in from various sources.

The next contact was between MARY JANE and Dr. ISIDORE ALPHER. MARY JANE said she does not feel well and therefore Dr. ALPHER recommended she should enter a hospital. It was finally arranged that MARY JANE could secure a semi-private room at Garfield Hospital. MARY JANE desired to have a radio in her room in order that she might listen to HENRY WALLACE's speech. ALPHER and MARY JANE discussed her position which she said is part psychological.

MARY JANE then contacted DAVID WAHL advising that she was going to Garfield Hospital. She commented that Dr. ALPHER did not realize the significance of the psychological factors involved in her illness. DAVE said that he was not feeling well either. MARY JANE said that she had her illness since Wednesday, April 23rd, but that it did not really become bad until Friday, April 25th, when she heard a "certain story." (It is to be observed that MARY JANE made an appointment to visit with HELEN SILVERMASTER on Friday, April 25th. It is believed possible that HELEN SILVERMASTER advised MARY JANE that she, HELEN, as well as her husband and ULLMANN had been interviewed by agents of the Bureau regarding their activities and that MARY JANE's name had been mentioned.)

WAHL invited MARY JANE to stay at his home until she recovers from her illness. MARY JANE commented that she did not think as highly of FREDERICK DOUGLAS as DAVE did and that his recent book made her a little sick.

ALIX REUTHER had contact with MARY JANE at which time she informed MARY JANE that she had resigned from the War Department. She said that she received an efficiency rating of "fair" and that she had written her resignation and would leave it for DAVE after May 1st. ALIX related that she had not signed the efficiency rating. MARY JANE said that she would have DAVE WAHL contact ALIX.

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RE: MARY JANE KEENEY; PHILIP OLIN KEENEY

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The following investigation for the period May 1 through 15, 1947, was conducted by Special Agent COURTLAND J. JONES.

Confidential Informant <sup>b7D</sup> has made available considerable material directed to MARY JANE KEENEY which is of interest.

Under date of May 6, 1947, Senator JAMES E. MURRAY of Montana directed a copy of a letter to MARY JANE from HAMILTON ROBINSON, Director, Office of Controls, United States Department of State. It is to be recalled that MARY JANE solicited the assistance of Senator MURRAY to learn the reason she was denied a passport. Apparently the senator made inquiry at the State Department regarding the KEENEY matter and the following letter was the answer:

"May 5, 1947

"My dear Senator Murray:

"I have been asked by Assistant Secretary Peurifoy to investigate the refusal of a passport to Mrs. Mary Jane Keeney and to respond to the inquiries of your letter of April 17, 1947.

"For your convenience in reference I have numbered my replies in accordance with the numbering of your questions:

"1. 'Security clearance' is a term used to denote the check made with all appropriate Government agencies in determining whether or not issuance of a passport will be in conformity with the interests of national security. Obviously the exercise of proper controls in this respect is essential to the maintenance of national security. The Chief of the Passport Division, acting for the Secretary of State, is the official immediately responsible for making the determination in any particular case as to whether or not an application for a passport should be denied on security grounds. In making such a determination, all pertinent evidence available within the Department and that which is obtained as a result of a check with other Departments and Agencies is used. It should be noted that evidence made available to the Department may be of a confidential nature, and therefore, quite properly, not releasable to the applicant.

"2. Clearance was denied in the case of Mrs. Keeney because of her known connection with an organization which the Attorney General has characterized as having been penetrated by or under

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the control of subversive elements and because of evidence which has been made available to the Department indicating that Mrs. Keeney may have connections with other groups and individuals whose interests are in conflict with the welfare and national security of this country. Unfortunately, a full disclosure of all factors relating to the denial of Mrs. Keeney's application for a passport cannot be disclosed to her. A representative of my Office will, however, be glad to discuss the details of the case with you if you so desire.

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"3. Since the issuance or denial of an application for a passport is an administrative decision made by the Department of State as the Agency having jurisdiction of such matters, there is nothing that Mrs. Keeney can do except abide by the decision. Again, I say, it is unfortunate that Mrs. KEENEY cannot be informed of the evidence leading to the decision in her case.

"In respect to the withdrawal of military clearance in Mrs. Keeney's case, I would like to say that it was not the direct result of the denial of security clearance on the part of the Department of State. An independent determination was made by military authorities that the travel of Mrs. Keeney from this country to Japan and her presence there would not be conducive to a well ordered occupation of that country by military authorities.

"Information, pertinent to Mrs. Keeney's case, has also been received recently to the effect that Mr. Keeney has left Tokyo and is now enroute to this country. This fact may change Mrs. Keeney's desire to obtain a passport for travel to Japan.

"I regret that it is not possible to accede to your desires in the case of Mrs. Keeney, but I am confident that you will understand the position which the Department of State must take in the interest of national security."

MARY JANE has been in receipt of considerable correspondence from her husband, PHILIP OLIN KEENEY or ANGUS as he is more commonly known. Informant has made available correspondence directed by ANGUS to MARY JANE during the month of April 1947. It is to be recalled that during this period MARY JANE was attempting to secure a passport in order that she might join ANGUS in Japan. During this period she was advised by Mrs. RUTH SHIPLEY of the passport division of the United States Department of State that the Department deemed it inadvisable to issue her a passport. b2 b7D

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Of interest is a letter directed by ANGUS to MARY JANE under date of April 8, 1947. It is in answer to a wire that MARY JANE sent to him advising him that her passport had been refused. The letter is as follows:

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"If I interpret your wire correctly, it seems very foolish for us to do much. That is it is better for me to fold up my tent like an Arab and come home. With what we have we can do something positive in the parlous time. If you come out we will both be marked. Hence, the foolishness. With conditions as they are we can not expect to be free of all entanglements. You have gone through enough to have to endure more of the same out here and I do not see how it can be avoided. We will save something by my resigning before it is written on the wall. If that comes, I am out without any comeback. It all seems more than gummed up but irony is that way and it is hard to fight irony with irony unless you resign gracefully before it is too late.

"Sure I have a job to do out here but it is of more importance in the world view of things. It is probably better that I save a modicum now than lose all in the long run. If the finger points at you, it will certainly attach itself to me before very long, so it is probably of greater importance to pull out quickly than wait for the inevitable. I have gone over the ground to a considerable extent with ~~ROG~~ (ROGER RUTCHICK). He may not consider it as serious as I do but he has a fair view of the picture and he has more or less prevailed on me to write rather than send a certain wire which I am sure you would grasp. To be so close to coming and then not to come seems to cap the climax. However, we are in the midst of sudden and violent change, hence we have to adjust ourselves to it as best we may. We are in a far better position to face up to it more than we were in 1937 when it was wished on us. Both of us fully realize the size of the stakes we play for and we are unafraid so I am for joining the issue at home rather than here where we are literally in the midst of strangers to our way of thinking. Discretion at this juncture may be the better part of valor so I am perfectly willing to resign without a murmur.

"It would almost seem as if your capable supervisory staff (DAVID R. WAHL, ALIX REUTHER & H. BOWEN SMITH) would see and understand our present situation and recommend that we fight it out at home rather than tough it out here where it will certainly catch up to us and leave us with little or no comeback. I do not think my attitude is unduly pessimistic. We are caught in a predicament where our alternatives are two, i.e. you fight it out

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with many on this line which is decidedly thin or I fight it out with you at home where the line is as thin but we would have associates. There is a certain strength in numbers that is lacking here. I am seldom in favor of capitulating but when the cards are down and the orders are greatly against us I am not opposed to beating at retreat."

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On April 9, 1947, ANGUS wrote to MARY JANE:

"My passport was called in today by State Department. It was simply called a usual formality but it was more than purely coincidental. The whole situation has been rather carefully gone over and examined. No definite conclusions have been reached but the consensus is to wait and see what future developments eventuate. It leaves me in a bit of a dilemma. ~~DEANEY~~'s relative appeared this afternoon but nothing much was added to what we already know. We concluded that times were becoming more parlous and it behooves us to gird up our loins and be prepared for any or no eventuality. Things are in the saddle and riding off in all directions. If conditions do not work out according to plan we ought to find some solution that will be workable."

On April 14, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"Wallace is seemingly pulling no punches in England and his words are being attacked by all of our forces right of center. The hysteria mounts but as Johannes Steel points out it was not unexpected in the USSR. Why we ever tried to conduct a Moscow Conference at this moment is completely uninterpretable to me. When the reporters get back many of them will have a field day. I hardly believe our unrestrained language can provoke a war but it can give aid and comfort to all reactionary forces everywhere. If the fate of the UN does not hang in this lack of balance, UN is sitting on a very unnecessary seat. Our tough talk reaches into every area of the globe. It is evident that the USSR is not going to be rushed into any precipitated action and the longer she postpones decisions the louder our talk. The feeling of the anti-Fascist people must be steadily rising against us. May I may see very prominent demonstrations in many places.

"I of course know your fighting zeal and was sure you would carry the fight whenever you hoped to win a point. You were very brave to beard Mrs. Shipley in her den and it may have helped. However you have other cards to play. As far as Lucien (HILMER) is concerned what you told him strikes home. His basic training never hit the fundamental issue, hence his defeatism when he

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should be up and at them. Dave (WAHL) and Max (LOWENTHAL) may be able to figure out something when they go into a huddle. Acheson's ear is probably the ticket."

On April 18, 1947, ANGUS wrote the following:

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"The biggest hurdle to get over was the fact that it seemed a few days ago as if Japan offered both of us a field where we could do a job. The fact that it was about the last field left open to me was likewise obvious. To have the field suddenly washed out reduces ones will to carry on. However, changes even as sudden as these are to be expected right now. I am slowly collecting my wits. I am trying to prepare against the day when news will reach me that you can not come. If I return at any time I can not come back here and if I resign I am required to give 90 days notice. When I return it is clear that whatever I find to do will have to be very different from anything I have done before but it must be something positive without too long a loafing spell. It will probably be easier for you to hook on something unless you get too big a smear. Be that as it may we must gird up our loins and stand ready to enter the fray."

On April 22, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"Your time with Mrs. SHIPLEY was exceedingly harrowing, but you 'done' noble. I am afraid our chances are exceedingly slim. As you say, if it had not been for the article, it would have been something else." (The article as referred to is one written by MARY JANE entitled 'The Making of a Radical' which appeared in the ~~Black and White~~ magazine in September 1939)

Under date of April 23, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I just received your letters of April 14 and 16. They just add to my own frustration as well as my feeling that the enemy has us over a barrel and there is not much for us to do in the way of saving face. I don't understand how Dave (WAHL) gets a passport so easily. Of course I am no end delighted, but how come?

"Roger Baldwin is over here promoting both goods and evils and I prefer to let him alone. If we should crash the gate at this moment, you and I would be suspect but whether the State Department would carry much wait is another question. I have

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the feeling that we are hog-tied for the moment. To break the noose is a difficult proposition and what to do under the circumstances is even more difficult. We have survived many things but this one really washes me up as far as Japanese libraries are concerned. There is Bulgaria but a sweet chance we have for passports. I am just too tired to fight inch by inch. I want to see one thing advance two inches at a time but such hope is for the next incarnation. We have seen action in the past two years and ought to have enough sense now to crave a little inaction but we lack that kind of sense."

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Under date of April 25, 1947, ANGUS wrote to MARY JANE that he had received a notice of separation from the War Department which read in effect that he was being fired upon his return to the United States. This has been previously set out. In this regard ANGUS wrote:

"I wish I could talk to you before I return but I am afraid that can not be. However I do not feel as low in my mind as I have during the past few weeks. There is no longer any uncertainty here even if the future looks bleak. Mark KOLR, his superior) was very sweet and said he thought it was a disgrace and that I would be badly missed. It is a real nostalgic pang that holds me in check as I think of going away. No previous undertaking has been quite such a challenge but I am willing to give it up to make a last fight for our basic convictions. We have never asked for succor when attacked and this is really the big fight. It was as nearly inevitable as anything is inevitable in this vale of tears. . . . Beloved, I am in no way bitter though, at the moment I am hurt by so much cruelty heaped on us. I am suffering from no persecution complex. It is wonderful to have you beside me and know that our spirits are joined together by bonds of sheer strength. Please don't feel sad or dismayed at this turn of events."

Under date of April 26, 1947, ANGUS wrote:

"I was quite certain, however, that when the heat was turned on Mrs. Shipley she would aim her guns at me. I didn't really think her action would be so fast and furious, just a slight under-estimation of the enemy. Mrs. Shipley is getting more upset as the struggle goes on and it won't make my case any easier or simpler. We are both in to our noses, hence we have to carry on. As you say the principle is greater than the humans involved but we know from previous experience that victories must be resounding to beget even a faint echo. We must hit hard regardless of the consequences."

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By letter of April 28, 1947; ANGUS enclosed a letter directed to him from TOSHIO ETO, director in charge of the Japanese Library Association which praises ANGUS for his work in Japan and states that the Japanese library world will miss him greatly. The text of this letter is not being set forth. ANGUS also enclosed a letter directed to him in the same vein of thought from N. OKADI, director of the Imperial Library, Japan.

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Informant has also made available a bank statement directed to MARY JANE and PHILIP OLIN KEENEY from the Munsey Trust Company, Washington, D.C. A review of the checks issued by MARY JANE for the period of March 27 to April 23, 1947, reflects several of interest. On March 19, 1947, she issued check No. 683 to M. H. NAIGLES (MYER H. NAIGLES) in the amount of \$35.00. On March 24, 1947, she issued check No. 700 to M. H. NAIGLES in the amount of \$4.50. The nature of these expenditures is not known. It is to be recalled that MARY JANE has made several visits to New York City recently where she had contact with NAIGLES. However, a review of the surveillance logs reflects that on the dates of issue of the aforementioned checks MARY JANE was in Washington, D.C.

Under date of May 5, 1947, MARY JANE received a communication from radio station WQQW, 2627 Connecticut Avenue, NW. This letter reflects that the stockholders of WQQW approved the borrowing of \$50,000. Individual sums of money were borrowed from the following persons:

MARCUS I. GOLDMAN	\$10,000
MORRIS & GERTRUDE RODMAN	10,000
ELEANOR HOUSTON SMITH	10,000
J. DANIEL WEITZMAN	10,000
Mrs. LUKE I. WILSON	5,000
JACK DEAN	2,500
RAYNARD GERTLER	2,500

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Confidential Informant has advised that MARY JANE was confined at Garfield Hospital, Washington, D.C. for a considerable time during the month of May 1947. MARY JANE had an attack of intestinal flu which was aggravated by "psychological" reasons, namely the knowledge that a passport was being refused her and that ANGUS was being dismissed by the War Department.

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On May 15, 1947, Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that MARY JANE returned to her apartment at 215 B Street, NE, and contacted BEATRICE SCHWARTZ, LOIS CARLISLE, HELEN SILVERMASTER and HERMAN KABAT, advising them of her return. MARY JANE also had contact with DOROTHY TODD, thanking her for her visit and saying she hoped that DOROTHY had a pleasant weekend.

In regard to the contact between MARY JANE and HERMAN KABAT, MARY JANE stated that Senator MURRAY had received a shocking and disgraceful letter from the State Department which filled her (MARY JANE) with rage. (This letter was set forth previously in this report.) This letter written by HAMILTON ROBINSON should have given HAMILTON a "gastric ulcer" according to MARY JANE. She continued she had been told by someone in New York that ROBINSON was a pretty fair guy.

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MARY JANE continued by saying that in the case of ANGUS KEENEY, his dismissal is an administrative matter under the War Department and that they have no constitutional safeguards of any kind. She commented that the question is as to whether they should engage any of their strength or financial resources to fight the decision.

K.B.T asked what ANGUS would like to do as far as employment is concerned upon his return and MARY JANE replied the prospects are dark. In regard to library employment she said there is nothing to be secured because the vindication in the Montana case regarding ANGUS did not soften the enmity against them.

HERMAN K.B.T assured MARY JANE there will undoubtedly be a real need for ANGUS' talents somewhere. They then discussed a book that each of them had read and MARY JANE said that Americans are savages as illustrated by the episode in Washington at Western High School regarding SHER LEWIS when students rose up in protest because of her pro-Russian speech. HERMAN agreed that the reprisals against SHER were horrible. MARY JANE continued that SHER receives phone calls at night telling her to go back where she came from and that her little son had been kicked out of the school he was attending. They agreed that this treatment was inhuman and agreed the Washington Post had handled the matter very poorly.

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URSULA WASSERMAN

Informant [redacted] advised on May 2, 1947, that URSULA WASSERMAN was in Mary Jane's apartment and contacted CAROLYN BERNHARD, arranging to visit the latter at 8:00 p.m. that evening. URSULA commented she was attending a diplomatic party that evening about 9:30. Mrs. BERNHARD stated she and her husband, CHARLES BERNHARD, were moving to Mexico on May 6, 1947, where they would live for approximately one year. CHARLES BERNHARD was going there for the Department of Agriculture in regard to the cattle hoof and mouth disease program.

URSULA also had contact with Mrs. JUDITH HELLER on May 2, 1947. URSULA said she would like to see JUDITH but she would not be able to make it that evening. JUDITH commented that she would have company that night anyway. URSULA then asked for a yes or no answer to this question: "Would you like to see me alone?" JUDITH replied in the affirmative and it was decided URSULA would visit JUDITH at her apartment between 11:00 and 11:30 a.m. on May 3rd. URSULA asked if they would be alone during the visit and JUDITH replied she believed that could be managed.

The next contact of interest was between URSULA and ALIX REUTHER and ALIX told her MARY JANE KEENEY was still in the hospital. ALIX said she had resigned her position on May 1, 1947, because she could not stand it any

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longer. ALIX then told URSULA she expected to go to New York the next week and would stay with ALICE JACSON who resides in the Beaux arts apartment, North Building, telephone Murray Hill 1209. URSULA commented she had got MIKE GREENBURG a job with a newspaper. ALIX then asked URSULA to get her a job. URSULA promised to try and said she would see ALIX in New York. URSULA's office phone number is Keystone 7-1100, Ext. 485 or 486.

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On May 3, 1947, URSULA and ALIX had contact at which time URSULA informed ALIX that MARY JANE had received a letter from RAYMOND CHLIGNON of Bowie, Maryland. They then discussed the letter that MARY JANE had received from ANGUS which reflected he was returning to the United States and had been dismissed by the War Department. ALIX said MARY JANE admitted there was one charge that would be very hard to combat and that they might get ANGUS on perjury. They agreed that MARY JANE and ANGUS should fight it out to the bitter end.

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES

On May 2, 1947, Special Agents WILLIAM R. CORNELISON and COURTLAND J. JONES instituted a surveillance in the vicinity of 2120 16th Street, NW, at 8:00 p.m. At 8:30 p.m. URSULA WASSERMAN was observed to alight from a cab and enter the lobby where she made a telephone call. Shortly thereafter CAROLYN BERNHARD met URSULA in the lobby of the building and they apparently proceeded to CAROLYN's apartment. At 9:45 p.m. URSULA was observed to return to the lobby where she attempted to locate a telephone directory. She was unsuccessful and then proceeded by cab to the Polish Embassy, arriving at 9:50 p.m.

On May 3, 1947, Special Agents LUDWIG W. R. OBERNDORF and COURTLAND J. JONES instituted a surveillance on the residence of MARY JANE KEENEY at 9:00 a.m. At 11:03 a.m. URSULA WASSERMAN was observed to leave the building and travel by taxi to the Chancery apartments, 3130 Wisconsin Avenue, NW. Agent OBERNDORF observed URSULA to proceed to the apartment of VICTOR and JUDITH HELLER. At 12:25 p.m. URSULA and an individual later identified as Mrs. JUDITH HELLER were observed to leave 3130 Wisconsin Avenue. They bid farewell and URSULA then proceeded by cab to Union Station. She purchased a coach ticket to New York City and caught the 1:00 p.m. Pennsylvania train. Agents went on the train with URSULA and she was not observed to meet anyone.

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On May 7, 1947, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised KATHLEEN LEVIN was temporarily residing in MARY JANE KEENEY's apartment. KATHLEEN contacted GRACE JOHNSON and asked if the LEVIN child might be able to visit with GRACE. It was agreeable.

Also on May 7th KATHLEEN had contact with GERTI LANDAUER at Michigan 7263. It was agreed that KATHLEEN and GERTI would have lunch the next day and that KATHLEEN would call her at the State Department, extension 2517 or 2691.

LILLIAN ROBINS PHILLIPS contacted KATHLEEN LEVIN at MARY JANE KEENEY's apartment on May 8, 1947. LILLIAN who is employed by the Internal Revenue Bureau on extension 633 asked if MARY JANE's apartment was a perfect "kosher" address. KATHLEEN replied in the negative and so it was decided that they would not meet at MARY JANE's apartment as planned. It was decided they would meet in front of Kann's Department Store at 5:30 p.m.

KATHLEEN LEVIN made a call to her husband, DAN LEVIN, at Sacramento 2-1897, New York City, on May 8, 1947. She said she had seen LILLIAN ROBINS PHILLIPS and that the LEVIN boy was having a nice visit in Washington. DAN asked her to give MARY JANE his love and KATHLEEN remarked that ALIX REUTHER with whom MARY JANE is staying is very interesting. It was decided KATHLEEN would return to New York on May 9, 1947.

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The following information is being reported, by Special Agent W. RAYMOND WANKALL during the period April 16 to 30, 1947. *(X) u*

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~~\*CONF. INFO~~ [redacted] furnished the following information. *(X) u*

On April 16, 1947, DUNCAN LEE and wife ISHEEL had dinner at the residence of Mrs. DAVID SHAW who is employed at the UNRRA building. *(X) u*

On the same day Mrs. LEE made plans to have dinner at the home of MARY and DONALD WHEELER on April 19, 1947. DONALD WHEELER is a subject of this investigation. *(X) u*

On April 20, 1947, it was learned DUNCAN CHAPLIN, a relative of the LEES who has previously been mentioned and identified, is in business at 39 Forest Avenue, Portland, Oregon, the name of the firm being the Chaplin Motor Company. *(X) u*

On April 21, 1947, KARL KARSTEN of Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland, told ISHEEL LEE that there would be a Rhodes Scholar supper on Thursday April 24 or a luncheon on Friday, April 25, and that he would like to have DUNCAN, ISHEEL, and FRISCILLA LEE attend. It is not known whether the LEES actually attended or not. *(X) u*

On April 29, 1947, HELEN GOLDSBOROUGH who was mentioned in the previous insert concerning this subject talked with Mrs. GIBBS at LEE's house. HELEN said she wanted to remind DUNCAN and also Mrs. GIBBS that "we" are expecting them this Saturday, May 3. Mrs. GIBBS told HELEN they would be there for dinner about 6 o'clock. *(X) u*

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The following investigative information is being reported by Special Agent W. RAYMOND WANNALL for the period May 1 through 15, 1947. *(X)u*

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Confidential Informant [REDACTED] has advised that during this period DUNCAN LEE and his wife have been in contact with the following individuals:

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DAVIS CHAPLIN, apparently a cousin of DUNCAN LEE  
DAVID & CLARA GORDON of Fairfax Village who had supper at LEES' house  
PEGGY and HENRY ECKER who have previously been identified  
BURT SERVAES who has previously been identified

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Informant [REDACTED] reported on May 9, 1947, that DUNCAN LEE was in contact with a person whose name appeared to be ELI ZHROCK (phonetic). ELI reported that he was staying at HERBERT FIERST's house at the present time. FIERST's activities have been investigated in connection with this case. ELI said he would like to see DUNCAN LEE but expected to leave town shortly but would arrange to visit him upon returning to Washington during the latter part of June. He said he was trying to obtain a position in Washington. ELI remarked that before the war he was with the War Labor Board but he did not think he wanted to work there any more. He said he wanted to do something sort of as a follow up on the work he was doing just before coming back to America, that is with the American Joint Distribution Committee. He said he had gone to Europe with the American Field Service and had been away for two and one-half years. ELI said he was going to the Coast for a couple of months of lecturing for the United Jewish Appeal which is the organization that raises the money for the American Joint Distribution Committee. ELI advised DUNCAN further he was in the First French army in France and Germany from November 1944 until the time of the war's end. As a consequence he did not get to know MAXWELL CHAPLIN, DUNCAN's cousin, who was with the American Field Service in Italy. ELI asked to be remembered to ISHBEL, DUNCAN's wife, and remarked "tell her and yours that I remember our work together with the North American Committee to aid Spain." I remember it every time I read about how we are helping FRANCO." ELI commented he thought it was a good period that he and the LEES had in New Haven and LEE said he thought ELI was right, particularly now. *(X)u*

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On May 9, 1947, according to Informant [REDACTED], DUNCAN LEE was in contact with HERBERT FIERST, mentioned above, and both agreed they would have to get together soon. *(X)u*

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[RE: NORTON E. LONG]

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By letter dated April 1, 1947 the San Antonio office was requested to ascertain whether ~~NORTON E. LONG~~ is presently employed as a professor or associate professor at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

By letter dated April 16 San Antonio advised that NORTON E. LONG is a visiting full professor in Government for the second semester 1947 at the University of Texas.

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The following information was furnished for the period of April 16 to 30 inclusive by Informant *(S)u* *b2 b7D*

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April 16, 1947 *(S)u*

ED FITZGERALD contacted BEADIE MAGDOFF and asked if HARRY had gone. BEADIE replied that he had. It was later agreed that the FITZGERALDS would visit the MAGDOFFS on Thursday or Friday evening. *(S)u*

Subsequently HARRY MAGDOFF informed BEADIE that he had received a telegram from New York asking him to come to New York tomorrow. The informant learned that HARRY intended to leave for New York tomorrow in the late morning or early afternoon. *(S)u*

April 17, 1947 *(S)u*

On this date HARRY MAGDOFF contacted MILDRED KRAIER seeking CHARLES KRAIER. He was referred to KRAIER Extension 425 at the Library of Congress. Subsequently the informant advised MAGDOFF made three attempts without success to reach KRAIER at the Library. Subsequently he informed MILDRED KRAIER of these attempts and advised her that he was leaving for New York and desired that CHARLIE come up to New York this afternoon. *(S)u*

Later on this date CHARLOTTE CHASE informed BEADIE MAGDOFF that they had the meeting on the international business and the consensus of opinion was against the loan to Greece and Turkey. They felt that even the Vandenberg Amendment was merely a sop to reactionary people. CHARLOTTE stated that MARGARITE JONES was in favor of the bill and there were only nine members present. *(S)u*

CHARLOTTE and BEADIE feel that the League should take some stand on the matter, especially since the bill is coming up Tuesday, but people are afraid even to talk about it because so many are in government work. BEADIE stated that the Gallup Poll shows most people are against military aid to Greece and Turkey but papers like the Post come out with the lie that most people support the President's program. *(S)u*

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They discussed the falling off of interest and attendance in their League meetings. BEADIE thinks this is because in the past they have been supporting the State Department policy and now they are having to oppose it. Also many people are believing the lie that the League is a Communist organization. (S)u

Later BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted PEGGY NIERENBERG at which time the informant learned that PEGGY and her husband intended to drop by the MAGDOFFS Sunday afternoon. (S)u

[April 18, 1947] (S)u

The informant learned that BEADIE MAGDOFF expected HARRY back from New York tonight. Later on this day HARRY MAGDOFF contacted SARAH at the FITZGERALDS' residence and inquired if the FITZGERALDS were coming to his house. SARAH stated that the FITZGERALDS had left, going downtown and then over to Virginia. Later the informant advised that the FITZGERALDS were at the MAGDOFFS. (S)u

[April 19, 1947] (S)u

EUGENE COTTON (CIO) contacted HARRY MAGDOFF advising that BOB LAMB spoke to EUGENE yesterday just before BOB flew to Pittsburgh and suggested that EUGENE get in touch with HARRY about drawing up some kind of an answer to TAFT's analysis to MURRAY's data. (S)u

BOB goes on to say that MURRAY offered some general economic conclusions on the wage problem and the wage and profit situation to the Labor Committee and TAFT announced that he was going to submit it to some economic analyst. EUGENE stated that three or four days ago TAFT publicly released a report made by the Legislative Reference Service. BOB wondered if HARRY could write an answer to it. HARRY informed BOB that he will give it some thought but can't promise to write anything on it because he has to write a radio script. EUGENE stated that he would bring a copy of the report as printed by the B. N. A. daily service to HARRY's residence so HARRY can look it over and give whatever help he can. (S)u

[April 20, 1947] (S)u

HARRY MAGDOFF advised IRVING KAPLAN that he just returned from New York on Friday evening and he desired to know if KAPLAN would be interested in a special research job for which "they" would give a couple of hundred dollars. KAPLAN agreed to drop by HARRY's office tomorrow inasmuch as he had something he wanted to talk to HARRY about. KAPLAN mentioned his luncheon date with VEET and the proposals for HENRY (WALLACE) to do something when he comes back. (S)u

KAPLAN continued "I rather think that they may run along this channel, I am sure the other proposals will". (S)u

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The informant learned that HARRY has a luncheon date with HASKELL tomorrow. (S) u

Later PEARL AXELROD contacted BEADIE MAGDOFF and discussed personal matters. However, during their conversation PEARL mentioned she is having a League discussion later meeting at her house tomorrow night and hopes BEADIE will be there. BEADIE advised she would be unable to attend and PEARL stated she thought it more important that BEADIE attend the League meeting because most of the discussion leaders in her group are pro-State Department and anti-WALLACE and she will need BEADIE's help to combat them. (S) u

BEADIE advised that she would still be unable to attend in view of a school meeting. (S) u

On this date HARRY MAGDOFF received a wire from SIDNEY, believed to be SIDNEY ROTH, advising "believes business men have like fright but still trying. How about bank president or will you reconsider FIELD if he would accept. FIELD is very concerned over monopoly problem account of his A.P. case. When telegraphing you shall we address New Council, Washington office or your home". (S) u

April 21, 1947 (S) u

AMELIA PERAZICH informed BEADIE that she had arranged with the handlers about tomorrow. Later BETH BREED (phonetic) urged BEADIE MAGDOFF to accept the presidency (of PTA?) but BEADIE replied saying that they may leave in September. (S) u

On this date BEADIE contacted the Army Billeting Office at the War Department and Navy Housing at the Navy Department in regard to sub-leasing their apartment for the summer. Subsequently a woman contacted BEADIE asking for HARRY and advising that Mr. FRANK STONE desired to reach HARRY. Later the informant learned that FRANK STONE would contact HARRY probably at HARRY's house. (S) u

April 23, 1947 (S) u

BEADIE informed HARRY that ROSEMARY was very enthusiastic about taking the job when BEADIE mentioned it to her. HARRY said they would keep her in mind but he has already offered it to two people and he has to wait until he hears from them. (S) u

Later CAROLINE contacted BEADIE who advised that HARRY has to do a radio program on monopoly and BEADIE would like to have CAROLINE help him with it. CAROLINE agreed to assist. (S) u

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Subsequently DOOTHY KAPLAN advised HARRY that she spoke to PAIMER about it again and he says the stuff has to be worked on in his office and DOOTHY doesn't want to walk out on him. HARRY said that one of his neighbors is interested in the job but he doesn't like the idea of a neighbor working for him. DOOTHY agreed to ask PAIMER (~~WEBER~~) tomorrow if he knows of any one. *(C)u*

LATER BEADIE MAGDOFF offered CAROLINE \$10.00 for preparing the script. At this time BEADIE informed CAROLINE that the radio program will originate in Chicago. HARRY then spoke to CAROLINE and explained in detail what he wants in the script. CAROLINE will come to HARRY's office at 10:00 A. M. tomorrow to work on it with him. *(C)u*

HARRY MAGDOFF contacted DAVE CAROLINE at the office and asked if DAVE was trying to get something on the BERGE thing. DAVE agreed and said "it hasn't come in the mail so he will go by and mail out the BERGE material this afternoon." HARRY said he didn't know where DAVE would be able to reach him but he will be in BASSIE's office about 11:30 A. M. or noon. *(C)u*

HARRY MAGDOFF contacted ED FITZGERALD's office about his luncheon date. ED was out but Miss INJIN advised HARRY that he would be back for their luncheon appointment. Later HARRY MAGDOFF contacted VEET BASSIE to say that he has been tied up and cannot get to BASSIE's office before lunch. VEET's lunch date was canceled but he has made arrangements with ED STONE. HARRY suggested that all have lunch together and they agreed to meet at the Chicken Hut at 12:45. BASSIE will contact ED FITZGERALD and ED STONE. *(C)u*

[April 24, 1947] *(C)u*

The informant ascertained that BEADIE MAGDOFF subleased their apartment to a Mrs. NOVELL. Later BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted CAROLINE POTANKIN who is working on a radio script for HARRY. CAROLINE likes working in an office and BEADIE informed her that HARRY desires a secretary and will pay \$50.00 a week. Also during the summer months HARRY will be away but the secretary will be required to keep the office open. However, there will be nothing for her to do but answer the phone should there be any calls. *(C)u*

CAROLINE would like to be able to do it but is no secretary. She recommended RENA QUIS (phonetic) HARRY's old secretary. BEADIE thought HARRY would like that and told CAROLINE to call RENA right away. *(C)u*

[April 25, 1947] *(C)u*

On this date PEGGY NIERENBERG asked BEADIE if they were coming to her house tomorrow. It was agreed that the MAGDOFFS would arrive about 2:30 P. M. but would not remain for dinner. Subsequently, however, BEADIE MAGDOFF informed NEEVEY NIERENBERG that they would not be able to make it tomorrow as HARRY had to work. *(C)u*

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During this contact BEADIE spoke to CARL GREEN who was visiting the NIERENBERGS. BEADIE and CARL GREEN discussed his radio program on Station WOOL. BEADIE invited CARL to dinner at her house Monday night at which time the FITZGERALDS would also be present. (S)u

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[April 26, 1947] (S)u

On this date ED FITZGERALD advised BEADIE MAGDOFF that they would probably come for dinner on Monday. Later BEADIE contacted JOAN DEWIND to tell her that she is tentatively arranging to have CARL GREEN and the FITZGERALDS for dinner Monday night and they would like to have JOAN and BILL DEWIND over too. (S)u

The informant ascertained that JOAN and BILL would like to come to dinner and would make arrangements so that they could come on an hour's notice. (S)u

HARRY MAGDOFF contacted BEADIE and said: "He seemed so darned anxious that I thought it would be all right with you." BEADIE said: "Whatever you want, darling. I hope you get your work done." HARRY said: "Well, it depends on his patience." BEADIE states: "You know you wanted to send out that report." HARRY says if he doesn't do it this afternoon he can do it tonight. (S)u

Later BEADIE contacted CLEM ZABOTKA to say that they may have some people for dinner on Monday evening and she wonders if CLEM and POLLY would come over later in the afternoon. It was agreed that POLLY would contact BEADIE later to advise whether they could come. (S)u

[April 27, 1947] (S)u

ED FITZGERALD contacted HARRY advising that they are going to "renig" on their acceptance of their dinner at the MAGDOFFS on Monday night because it looks like KAREN is catching whooping cough. (S)u

Informant ascertained at this time that MAGDOFF was going to New York by plane at 9:30 A. M. Wednesday morning. (S)u

Later BEADIE contacted POLLY ZABOTKA to ask her to come to dinner Monday at 7:30 P. M. After much conversation they decided that POLLY will try to get to the MAGDOFFS at 8:30 P. M. (S)u

[April 28, 1947] (S)u

The informant learned that CARL GREEN was expected for dinner at the MAGDOFFS tonight and that BEADIE gave him instructions on how to reach her house by bus. (S)u

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Re: HARRY SAMUEL MAGDOFF *Jeru*

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[April 29, 1947] *(R)u*

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BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted ~~MELVA~~ LESCHINSKY and asked if PEARL arrived safely. MELVA said PEARL did and is going to leave by boat on May 5. Informant ascertained that ~~SOLO~~ LESCHINSKY is still on the West Coast, is going to Seattle and will then come home about a week from today. *(R)u*

Later the informant ascertained that HARRY MAGDOFF informed BEADIE that he was at the office and would be home about 9:00 P. M. He stated that ~~HERB~~ called on him delaying him somewhat. *(R)u*

HARRY MAGDOFF contacted the American Airlines to inquire about the departure time of Flight 310 to New York City. He learned that it leaves at 9:45 standard time and arrives in New York at 11:05 standard time. *(R)u*

[April 30, 1947] *(R)u*

The informant ascertained that BEADIE MAGDOFF left word for Mrs. ~~HAROLD~~ STONE, Room 743 Statler Hotel, to contact her. Subsequently on this date ~~CATHERINE~~ STONE contacted BEADIE who said that she was talking to ~~JANE~~ JILLEMEYER who said the Fairfax County people feel that ~~TAUXEMONT~~ group should be disassociated from the League because TAUXEMONT has a radical reputation. JANE is the President of FAIRFAX League and she lives in Tauxemont. *(R)u*

Later BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted ~~BEADIE~~ VANTASSELL to ask if she knew anything about the Volunteers of America. BEADIE MAGDOFF again mentioned the possibility of it being a Fascist organization. VANTASSELL thought it was all right. *(R)u*

By letter dated April 28, 1947 the St. Paul Office advised that the records of the Mayo Clinic reflect that MAGDOFF's home address was 3226 Ravenswood, Alexandria, Virginia. His wife is BEATRICE and his employment is an economist for the United States Government. He was born in New York City and his nationality is Russian Jew.

St. Paul advised that the records further disclosed that MAGDOFF was admitted to the clinic on January 11, 1944 and was discharged on February 10, 1944. His treatment was surgery for gall bladder. He stated that his mother and father were living that he had been married eleven years and had two children.

He listed his Selective Service Board as 3580 Nebraska Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. He listed a friend as HAROLD D. HOFMEYER, Insurance Bldg., 907 15th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. who was employed by the Union of South African Gold Supply Mission.

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[RE: HARRY SAMUEL MAGDOFF] *h*

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The following information was furnished by Confidential Informant *(K)* for the period of May 1 to May 15, 1947 inclusive, and is being reported by Special Agent AUBREY S. BRENT *(K)* *h*

[5-1-47] *(K)* *h*

CAROLINE PLANCK contacted BEADIE MAGDOFF to discuss aspects of the League's activities and strategy in the coming campaign on the School Board Referendum. The League favors direction election of the School Board, while the opposition wants appointment by the County Board. *(K)* *h*

[5-2-47] *(K)* *h*

The informant ascertained that HARRY MAGDOFF was expected to arrive this morning from New York. *(K)* *h*

Subsequently, informant ascertained that MELVA LISCHINSKY contacted BEADIE MAGDOFF to ascertain JOAN DeWIND's phone number. *(K)* *h*

Later, HARRY MAGDOFF confessed with REBEKAH FITZGERALD delivering certain messages from ED FITZGERALD who was in New York. HARRY commented that ED sounded very chipper and was apparently in much better mood than HARRY had seen him for a long time. The great majority of the conversation pertained to efforts made by ED FITZGERALD to obtain employment. *(K)* *h*

Later, HARRY MAGDOFF endeavored to contact OTTO NATHAN without success. However, informant advised that later OTTO NATHAN contacted HARRY MAGDOFF, who spoke of his trip from New York. HARRY advised NATHAN that TRUBECK is coming to Washington with another man tomorrow, but HARRY does not feel free to make any commitments until he talks to TRUBECK. The informant ascertained that HARRY could reach NATHAN at the Library of Congress tomorrow. However, it was finally decided that OTTO would call HARRY at home tomorrow morning. MAGDOFF stated that since NATHAN is here, this would be a very convenient way for him to meet TRUBECK, who will be staying at the Raleigh Hotel. *(K)* *h*

Informant ascertained from MAGDOFF that WENDELL BERGE is going to be General Counsel for the New Council of American Business and that TRUBECK is coming to Washington to be present at a dinner here in honor of BERGE tomorrow night. *(K)* *h*

During the further conversation between OTTO and HARRY, OTTO commented that what strikes him down here in Washington is that he meets people all the time "who keep their mouths shut, are very non-committal, who no longer dare to talk". HARRY says, "That's right". OTTO: "A very funny business." HARRY: "It isn't, it's serious." *(K)* *h*

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OTTO asked HARRY if he had heard anything from WHITE and if there are any rumors as to what WHITE is going to do. MAGDOFF replied that WHITE is going to take a long vacation and will probably go in for himself in something as a consultant and advisor. HARRY speculates that WHITE will take on special missions for "these countries". However, HARRY stated that what he had ascertained was just gossip and that he had not spoken to WHITE. (R)u

[5-3-47] (R)u

BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted Mr. VAN TASSEL to say that they have been trying to get the KAPLANS for two days, without success. VAN TASSEL informed BEADIE that the KAPLANS were on a fishing trip. (R)u

Later, OTTO NATHAN contacted MAGDOFF who advised that he was going to the airport to meet TRUBECK today. It was arranged that MAGDOFF would call OTTO about 1 PM. (R)u

Later, HERB in New York City, informed MAGDOFF that ROB TRUBECK missed the plane and was proceeding to Washington by train. The rest of their conversation, according to informant, pertained to NCAB business and WENDELL BERGE. (R)u

Subsequently MAGDOFF informed OTTO NATHAN that TRUBECK was arriving by train instead of plane, however, NATHAN was returning to New York on this date and therefore it would be impossible for him to meet TRUBECK. It was agreed that HARRY would endeavor to arrange a luncheon in New York where NATHAN could meet TRUBECK. (R)u

BEADIE invited CAROLYN POTEKIN to attend a movie and dine with HARRY and her tonight, however, CAROLYN later advised that she and LARRY, her husband, would be unable to join the MAGDOFFS. (R)u

The informant ascertained that ROB TRUBECK arrived in Washington and was stopping at the Raleigh Hotel. (R)u

Later on this date, HARRY advised BEADIE that he was at the KRAIERS and would be home later. (R)u

[5-4-47] (R)u

The informant learned that HAROLD L. POSNER, who has a brother residing at 4700 45th Street, N. W., Emerson 7091, contacted BEADIE and inquired if the MAGDOFFS were going to be home this afternoon. HAROLD also conversed with HARRY and it was agreed that HARRY would meet HAROLD in front of the Washington Post Building and that HARRY would contact HAROLD before 2 PM to set a time, which was later ascertained by informant to be at 2:15 PM. (R)u

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Later BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted Mrs. FRED COPIN, Owens 7609, to say that HAROLD POSNER is at their house and knows them and the NIERENBERGS, and wants to say hello. From the conversation between HAROLD and LEONARD NIERENBERG who was visiting the COPINS at the moment, the informant ascertained that HAROLD works in New York and lives in New Rochelle. The informant also ascertained that FRED COPIN now works at Federal Housing and is going into the business of teaching bridge. (X)u

Later, HAROLD L. POSNER informed FRED COPIN (ph) that he and the MAGDOFFS would come over to the COPINS' residence in a few minutes. FRED COPIN lives at 4846 North 9th Street, near Glebe Road and Wilson Boulevard. (X)u

Subsequently, informant learned that HAROLD POSNER, while at the MAGDOFFS contacted ED STONE to extend his greetings while he is in Washington. (X)u

HARRY MAGDOFF contacted REBEKAH FITZGERALD, who expects ED FITZGERALD home about 10 PM. She commented that ED had informed her he had a very successful weekend and HARRY commented that something may come of it. It was agreed that REBEKAH would contact the MAGDOFFS tomorrow after ED returned, and they would make a date for some time this week. (X)u

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BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted CAROLINE PLANK to say she had heard CAROLINE resigned from the League. CAROLINE advised she hasn't done so yet, but is preparing to do so and then announce her candidacy. BEADIE discusses the advisability of such a move, but CAROLINE believes it is advisable and is going ahead. (X)u

Later, BEADIE MAGDOFF conversed with MELVA LISCHINSKY and inquired if MELVA had contacted JOAN DE LIND. MELVA advised she had been unable to reach JOAN but has decided she doesn't want it. MELVA further said that SOL may be home May 9th, but that is the earliest date. (X)u

Subsequently, BETH SHORT conversed with BEADIE concerning League business. BETH advised she had attended a joint meeting of the Aurora Hills and Monticello groups and was disappointed in the reactionary attitude at the discussion. BEADIE told BETH that two friends of HARRY'S, TRUBECK and a friend, had brunch with them on Sunday. They knew so little about legislation, economics, etc. BEADIE admitted they were in a high income bracket. HARRY had mentioned to BEADIE after TRUBECK left, "You know we have been mingling in intelligent circles in Washington and don't understand the lack of interest of outsiders." (X)u

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BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted ANNIE STEIN to ask if ANNIE, ARTHUR and the kids will come over Saturday as a fair is going to be held on Saturday, and it would be a lot of fun for the children. ANNIE agreed. (X)u

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Later, BEADIE contacted AMELIA PERAZICH to say that she was going downtown on Thursday and wondered if AMELIA could meet her. AMELIA advised that she has to stay home Thursday. (X)u

The informant ascertained that ELSIE DENNISON contacted BEADIE and among other things, advised that GEORGE and HELEN JASZI would be interested in subletting BEADIE's apartment so HELEN could get out of her one room in town for her health. Informant ascertained that HARRY and BEADIE were acquainted with GEORGE and HELEN JASZI and BEADIE advised ELSIE that she would talk to HARRY and if he agrees, they will give the apartment to the JASZIS and tell the person to whom they are now committed that they have changed their plans. (X)u

Later, BEADIE contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and invited the KAPLANS for dinner tomorrow evening. DOROTHY agreed to check with her husband and advise BEADIE. (X)u

BEADIE then contacted HELEN JASZI to say they will give HELEN the apartment as she feels no commitment to the other people. HELEN stated they have been trying to get an apartment at Parkfairfax on hardship basis. (X)u

Later on this day, DOROTHY KAPLAN accepted BEADIE's dinner invitation for tomorrow evening. (X)u

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BEADIE advised HARRY at the office that there is a wire from Mr. BRADLEY STOUGHTON, saying "Seriously delayed by lack of information asked from you. Please wire that you are answering immediately or else that you must take time to secure data. If so, how long do you estimate it will take. Best regards." HARRY tells BEADIE to send him a wire telling him HARRY has been out of town and will probably reply over the weekend. (X)u

The informant later ascertained that the address for BRADLEY STOUGHTON was Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. (X)u

On this date BEADIE again conversed with HELEN JASZI, at which time she suggested that GEORGE JASZI get together with HARRY and go to the office to sign the necessary papers. BEADIE requested that HELEN come out so they could plan on what should be put away for the summer. (X)u

Later this day, BEADIE advised IRVING KAPLAN that HARRY was just leaving the office, so they need not hurry over. (X)u

[5-8-47] (X)u

BEADIE contacted HARRY to advised that his check came from TRUEBECK. (X)u

BEADIE again contacted ANNIE STEIN who advised she didn't think they would be able to come Saturday as ARTHUR's mother is coming for the weekend. After (X)u

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some discussion, ANNIE said she would ask ARTHUR's mother, but in any case, they wouldn't come for dinner. BEADIE also informed ANNIE that they are subletting their apartment and going away for the summer, as HARRY will be able to be with them by commuting from New York. ANNIE agreed to let BEADIE know definitely Saturday morning whether they would come over. (S)u

Subsequently, ~~BLANCHE MARLOWE~~ (ph) who, it is believed, was associated with the New Council for American Business office in New York, contacted the MAGDOFFS, advising she had just arrived in Washington and she thanked HARRY for getting hotel reservations for her. She also advised that she spoke to ROB TRUEBECK this morning and TRUEBECK said that the BERGE dinner was lovely. HARRY said he talked to BERGE and he reacted very well. They agreed BERGE is a dope. BLANCHE stated she wrote to Senator PEPPER and got the most dreamy letter from him, asking her to drop in at his office and come into the Senate floor to hear the debate on the labor bill. The informant ascertained that BLANCHE was accompanied to Washington by her family and desired to do some sightseeing. She was invited to the MAGDOFFS' for dinner tomorrow night at 5:30. (S)u

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The informant ascertained that the office phone number for REBEKAH FITZGERALD is RE 8300, Ext. 884. (S)u

Later, BEADIE MAGDOFF contacted REBEKAH FITZGERALD, who advised that ED would be back here Saturday night or Sunday, and that he is very busy on his job at Lake Success. ED is also seeing about things for himself. BEADIE commented that HARRY had told her ED had some good prospects and that BOB HELLER made ED an offer. (S)u

The informant ascertained from BEADIE that JANE and ED STONE are planning to sell their house and move to Seattle. (S)u

[5-10-47] (S)u

Informant learned from ARTHUR ~~STEIN~~ that they would be unable to visit the MAGDOFFS that afternoon. (S)u

[5-11-47] (S)u

BEADIE MAGDOFF was in touch with LEONARD NIERENBERG and also his wife, PEGGY, who informed BEADIE that they dropped by after the rodeo but they weren't home. BEADIE declined an invitation to the NIERENBERGS for that night, but it was agreed that they would get together before the MAGDOFFS leave. (S)u

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Later, ED FITZGERALD conversed with HARRY MAGDOFF who advised that they had gone to the rodeo. ED informed HARRY he had been writing letters all day, stating his qualifications in seeking certain positions. The bulk of the conversation between FITZGERALD and MAGDOFF consisted of FITZGERALD reading to MAGDOFF the letters he had prepared, in which he states his employment background. (B)u

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HARRY MAGDOFF advised his office that he was waiting for the first mail at home, but when informed that he had received a special delivery letter, he advised he would be at the office about 10 AM. Later, ETHEL CULLEN asked BEADIE if she could help dispose of some tickets to a coming Southern Conference rally. BEADIE advised she is too busy now and plans to go away for the summer in about a month. (C)u

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"ZOOKIE" BERGREEN (ph) contacted BEADIE who was unable to identify him until he informed her she had been to his house with his brother, RUBIN BERGREEN (ph) who is in New York. BEADIE then informed "ZOOKIE" of HARRY's new job. ZOOKIE said he had talked with HARRY a long time ago when he was first deciding to quit the Government. He agreed to call HARRY at his office and say hello. (C)u

Later, Mrs. SARAH ERIAN (ph), Temple 7765, told BEADIE that she is the General Secretary of the Washington Chapter of the Labor Zionist Organization. She asked BEADIE if she used to be with the Pioneer Women. BEADIE said no, but members of her family have been active in the Labor Zionist Organization. Mrs. ERIAN said she was trying to organize a Northern Virginia Chapter and they would like to have her attend a meeting next Saturday at the home of ITZA PEARLMAN (ph), Press Agent for the Jewish Appeal for Palestine, about 8:15 or 8:30. BEADIE said she would have to think it over as she already has many commitments. BEADIE mentioned this Hadassah and Mrs. ERIAN said the Labor Zionist Organization has always been much more active; that it was very active during the Spanish Civil War and one of her very good friends in the Labor Zionist Organization fought in Spain and through the efforts of the Labor Zionist Organization, 5000 Palestinians were brought to Spain to participate in the struggle. BEADIE agreed to let her know if she decides to come. Mrs. ERIAN confirmed that BEADIE knows Mrs. JACK BLOOM, and BEADIE informed Mrs. ERIAN that her family in Detroit was very active in the Labor Zionist Organization and when she spent a month there last April she followed it very closely. BEADIE said that if she is not able to attend this meeting she would like to keep track of what they are doing after they return from their summer vacation in September. (C)u

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Informant learned from BEADIE that ED STONE is leaving Tuesday morning for Seattle and that BEADIE and HARRY want to go to STONES to give him a sendoff. (C)u

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The following investigative information is being reported by Special Agent W. RAYMOND WANNALL for the period April 16, 1947, through May 15, 1947.

Informant <sup>b2 b7D</sup> has advised that MILADA MARSALKA, wife of subject, continues to receive personal letters from members of her family who reside in Czechoslovakia. (u)

According to this informant JACK MARSALKA wrote his wife a letter on April 26, 1947, in which he indicated a nephew named KARL VEVERA, son of Colonel KARL VEVERA, is presently in the eighth grade in a school in Prague, Czechoslovakia, and will soon come to the United States for the purpose of continuing his education. In this same letter JACK wrote: "Sunday night I am talking to a Congregational Church forum and Wednesday night I am on the radio. So you see being a partisan for Peace a la Wallace—whose program I am boosting, has much popular support. Also of course it has its negative aspects, of which I am fully cognizant. Hope when you get settled up here that you will want to share some of this 'adult education' work which is in the town hall and RALPH WALDO EMERSON traits." (u)

<sup>b2 b7D</sup> Confidential Informant <sup>(u)</sup> advised on April 17, 1947, that MILADA MARSALKA told HELEN SILVERMASTER, a subject in this case, she had handed in her resignation effective May 2, 1947, and wanted to see everyone before she left. MILADA indicated she was leaving Washington on May 3, 1947.

On April 23, 1947, this same informant reported that MILADA asked HELEN SILVERMASTER if it would be all right to visit the SILVERMASTERS the next night. HELEN invited her to supper and the invitation was accepted.

<sup>b2 b7D</sup> Confidential Informant <sup>(u)</sup> on April 29, 1947, advised that JENNIE MILLER told HELEN PRICE that she had not seen MILADA MARSALKA for three or four weeks. HELEN commented that she thought MILADA was going to leave town around the first of May. (u)

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It will be recalled that on January 27, 1947, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] reported that JACK MARSALKA stated an individual named ED ROLL had started living at his house. It could not be determined whether JACK meant at his house in Washington or in East Haven, Connecticut. On May 10, 1947, inquiry was made at 3317 R Street, NW, MARSALKA's former residence, for ED ROLL. A woman answered the door and advised no one by that name lived there and she knew of no one in the neighborhood by that name. The New Haven Office is being requested to determine if possible whether or not ED ROLL is living with MARSALKA in East Haven, Connecticut. (S)h

After moving from her home on R Street, NW, MILAD MARSALKA lived at 3037 Dent Place, NW, with a Mrs. T. M. ROBERTS. The files of Stones Mercantile Agency, Washington, D.C., reflect that Mrs. T. M. ROBERTS was about 60 years old at the time a credit report was submitted on her under date of May 29, 1939. It was said she was married and was entirely dependent upon her husband. Her husband was said to have been formerly employed as a clerk with the Veterans Administration and later as a draftsman in the Navy Yard between 1932 and 1936. In 1939 he was on a pension of approximately \$100 per month. A newspaper article filed in the credit files indicated that on April 18, 1929, Mrs. ROBERTS was elected to trustee of the All Souls Church (Unitarian). Her husband's name was given as THOMAS M. ROBERTS and her name as VIOLET K. ROBERTS. There is no information concerning either Mrs. ROBERTS or her husband in the files of the Washington Field Office. (S)h

As previously reported JACK MARSALKA received a communication on September 14, 1946, from V. BEZDEK, German Department, Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan. The Detroit Office furnished the following information concerning this individual. Professor H. STEWART of Wayne University, Detroit, (S)h

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Michigan, referred Special Agent FOWEN F. ROSE of that office to Dr. D. HECOCK for information concerning BEZDEK. Dr. HECOCK when contacted produced the records of the university which indicated that Professor BLADIR BEZDECK was employed at Wayne University in September 1946 as a full-time instructor in the German Department. BEZDECK was born Marcy 23, 1909, in Rovensho, Czechoslovakia. He was described as 5'8" tall, 165 pounds, an American citizen and married. It was indicated he was able to speak Czechoslovakian, German, French and English. He was graduated from Prague University in Czechoslovakia which he had attended from 1934 to 1939 receiving a Ph.D. degree. BEZDECK attended the University of Chicago from 1939 through 1940. He is reported to have traveled extensively in Germany, France, Austria, and Poland. No derogatory information was in the records at Wayne University. A credit and criminal check made relative to this individual in Detroit resulted negatively. Informants of the Detroit Office were unable to furnish any information relative to Professor BEZDECK. (X)u

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The following information was obtained from Confidential Informant [redacted] for the period May 1 to May 15, 1947 inclusive: *76* *Ku*

On May 1, 1947, Mr. ROOD contacted the MILLER residence. When advised that BOB MILLER was not at home, he informed JENNIE that he was a good friend of BOB and had been with him in Europe. He inquired as to whether BOB was going to attend a meeting of an organization (not named), which he had spoken to BOB about at a luncheon the previous week. JENNIE advised him that she didn't think BOB would be able to make it unless he gets back from New York early in the evening. *(E) u*

On May 3, 1947, BLAIRE BOWLES contacted MILLER and invited him over for cocktails. *(E) u*

On May 3, 1947, ANNA MONAT contacted JENNIE and ROBERT MILLER and inquired whether the FELTUSES were there and JENNIE informed her that they had just left for Virginia Beach by auto. ANNA told JENNIE that she had spent the day with ROMAN TAUTENBERG (ph) and ARCHIE TAUFEN (ph) sightseeing. ANNA mentioned the fact that ARCHIE and ROMAN played at the Polish Embassy the previous night and explained that one is a pianist and the other a violinist. ANNA told JENNIE that last night was the third time this year that she had not been invited to the Polish Embassy parties and she was mad because she wanted to see RANDY. JENNIE informed ANNA that BOB MILLER is working in New York with RANDY FELTUS and that he comes home on the weekends. ANNA asked JENNIE if CHARLIE ELATO was working with FELTUS and MILLER and JENNIE told her that CHARLIE is working in the office but is not connected with FELTUS. ANNA said that according to what TAUTENBERG had told her the people at the Polish Embassy party were very complimentary towards FELTUS, and that TAUTENBERG decided last night that he would like to have FELTUS handle his public relations work. In ANNA's conversation with ROBERT MILLER she said she had recently had lunch with Dr. JOE CHILMAN and he asked if she knew FELTUS and MILLER and she said that she did. ANNA and BOB discussed the fact that FELTUS is supposed to be working on some material for a man named CRANE, for which FELTUS is preparing prospects, and subsequently CRANE would go to New York and arrange for FELTUS to meet DORRIS SHERRY (ph), who is the RKO man and who will be in New York for only two weeks. *(E) u*

On May 4, 1947, BOB MILLER contacted HILDA KOHN and they made arrangements that the MILLERS and KOHNS will meet for dinner on May 5th at the Tallyho Restaurant, 810 - 17th Street, N. W. *(E) u*

On May 8, 1947, JENNIE MILLER contacted SHURA LEWIS and inquired whether she was getting ready to return to Russia because of the stories carried in the newspapers about her speech made before the students of Western High School in Washington, D. C. SHURA said she had not received any calls from persons in *(E) u*

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Washington telling her to leave the United States; however, she had received calls from her friends encouraging her. JENNIE asked if there was any reaction against her from her neighbors and she stated she had not been out and had not noticed any change. JENNIE also inquired if her husband JIM was having any trouble at school and she replied that so far he had not had any trouble but probably would later on. JENNIE stated that they can not do anything to him because he is a "white American." She also advised SHURA that the newspaper PM gave her a favorable story. JENNIE asked SHURA if this would affect her relationship with the Institute of Pacific Relations and SHURA replied that she did not think so because she had made only one speech for this association and added she was a regular speaker for the East and West Association, and that PEARL BUCK was behind her completely and had assured her that she was the best speaker on Russia in the Association. SHURA asked JENNIE if she had read the headlines of "Western High Speaker Eyed by FBI Since Entry into United States in 1943." JENNIE replied that the FBI has been watching her and she was sure that they know. She further stated, "I am sure they have been listening to everyone of your conversations and I am sure they are listening to this one too." Jennie told SHURA that "there is a witch hunt going on and particularly a foreigner is a bad influence. This disgusting thing of giving these children a silk American flag and bestowing honors on them. It's disgusting. Don't worry, it will all pass like a bad dream." (S) h

On this same day, LUCY FLATO contacted JENNIE MILLER. During the conversation LUCY told JENNIE that LUKE WILSON has started an office here in Washington for one of the organizations you know about, and the one she went to the meeting for. She further told JENNIE that WILSON needs some super talent. She added that he has some ordinary volunteers but is going to need some experienced people, and "I wonder if we can talk later about the possibility of your helping." JENNIE agreed and that she would discuss it with her later. (S) h

On the same date JENNIE MILLER contacted FLO LEVY and told her that they had enjoyed their trip to Baltimore. FLO asked how MILLER's parents were and JENNIE replied they were very understanding. She further stated they were extremely so and were completely changed. FLO said, "I suppose the first shock of it, you know - ." JENNIE said, "Yeah, and then of course it just occurred to them it was kind of illogical - the whole business." FLO stated, "Yeah, well, I'm glad. I thought it would be sort of strained." JENNIE said, "No, it wasn't at all. In fact, I was fully prepared for it." FLO said she supposed they felt badly about it and JENNIE agreed that they did. (S) h

On May 9, 1947, ROBERT MILLER contacted ED HART. He advised him that RANDY had gone south and wanted him to advise HART that he could not accept ED's invitation. He added that RANDY is expected back in Washington this weekend. HART advised MILLER that if he, BOB, talks to RANDY he should tell him that the Polish Ambassador did the program and a dispatch has gone out to all the stations and to tell RANDY to get in touch with ED on the DAVID PEPPER thing. (S) h

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On May 10, 1947, ED HART contacted JENNIE MILLER and JENNIE invited him out. However, ED declined the invitation, telling her he had four or five hours work to spend on a script for tomorrow's show and that it is on Fascism, "with WRIGHT PATMAN of Texas." He further stated, "It's a touchy subject, so we have got to script it." JENNIE invited ED to come out the next day to see FELTUS and he told her he would be through with the broadcast about 12:30 or 1 o'clock and would come out then. (E)h

On May 11, 1947, BEN MARGOLIN conversed with MILLER and they discussed the possibility of MILLER's investing some money in a proposition which involved the buying of some surplus property and reselling it at a good profit. BOB stated that he would think over the proposition inasmuch as he was in need of money and that he would contact BEN later on about it. (E)h

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The following information was obtained from Confidential Informant [redacted] for the period of April 16 to April 30, inclusive. *(B) u*

On April 17, 1947, JOE GILLMAN contacted MILLER and MILLER advised him that he had returned to Washington from New York the previous day and that he had seen RANDY; however, RANDY did not have anything to say. JOE asked BOB if the man went to Europe whereupon MILLER replied yes. JOE asked if he went "with an intention" and BOB said apparently so. BOB said that he thought that RANDY would get in touch with JOE when he comes down next week. (The man referred to above is probably the representative of the Polish Government who met with GILLMAN, FELTUS, and SILVERMASTER on a previous evening in Washington, D. C.) *(B) u*

On April 18, 1947, RUTH SEEGAR contacted JENNY MILLER and inquired as to whether the MILLERS were going to the square dance that night sponsored by the Highland Folk School which is being held at ~~Pierce~~ Hall. JENNY stated that she did not know because her In-Laws were in town and that they would not leave for New York until tomorrow. In whispered tones JENNY asked if there were going to be any Negroes present and SEEGAR advised her that she thought there would be a few. JENNY was uncertain as to whether they would be able to make it or not. It was later ascertained that the MILLERS did not attend this square dance. *(B) u*

On April 21, 1947, CHARLIE FLATO contacted BOB MILLER and advised him that he had a good talk with BARTLEY CRUM regarding public relations. CRUM advised FLATO that he had a man called NEWMAN whom he was going to see on Friday afternoon and was then to confer with FELTUS over the weekend. FELTUS was supposed to talk to NEWMAN after his conference with CRUM. MILLER advised CHARLIE that he did not think he would go to New York this week and also, that FELTUS would probably be in Washington the following Wednesday. *(B) u*

On the same date, HELEN SILVERMASTER contacted JENNY and asked if "the family" is still around and JENNY said yes, whereupon HELEN said she would call again when the family had left. (The family *(B) u*

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referred to is probably the parents of BOB MILLER and it is to be noted that in a previous conversation, JENNY had mentioned that MILLER's parents had left Washington already and evidently she did not want to converse with SILVERMASTER.) (X) u

On April 22, 1947, JENNIS (PH) contacted MILLER and advised him that there is going to be a meeting of the Southern Conference tomorrow night at Pierce Hall and that CLARK FOREMAN is to be the main speaker and they will show the movie entitled, "Brotherhood of Man." (X) u

On April 25, 1947, JENNY MILLER contacted FLO LEVY at the home of SOL D. LEVY, 115 Cumberland, Syracuse, New York. During the conversation FLO asked JENNY if everything is clear and JENNY replied, "Well, more or less sure." FLO again inquired, "Are you sure everything is all right?" JENNY said, "Well, I, ah, what do you mean?" FLO said, "Well, I mean as far as you know." JENNY said, "Look, of course everything is all right, never was bad and never was wrong." (X) u

(The conversation probably refers to the interviews which were held with subject MILLER on April 15 and April 23.) (X) u

On the same date BEN MARCOLIN contacted ROBERT MILLER and they made arrangements to meet at a later date. BEN told BOB that if he were interested in a high-paying short-term job that he should look into the Citizens' Committee on Displaced Persons and added that it is a private organization and is an outgrowth of OLYA's (his wife) attempt to get displaced persons into the United States under the lapsed quotas that were not used up during the war. He continued by saying that they hoped to bring in about one-hundred thousand persons under this program and are also trying to get legislation through to permit the entry of a greater number of persons per year. He added that they are hiring all sorts of people to travel around the country and organize and so forth and paying them a lot of money. He added that the Citizens' Committee on Displaced Persons was formed a couple of months ago and is financed by LESSING ROSENWALD (PH) and EARL HARRISON (PH) the former Commissioner of Immigration. MILLER asked if he knew if LINTY WOOD had gone to Brazil with the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees. MILLER added that this committee had never done very much but now with the IRO (International Refugee Organization) coming on, they have been spurred into activity and have employed a number of persons on a short-term basis to go to Europe and Latin America to organize getting people out of Europe and into the Western Hemisphere. BEN and BOB discussed the possibilities of starting a publication entitled "T.B." (Tuberculosis). (X) u

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On April 26, 1947, ~~BARNEY~~ LEROY contacted JENNY MILLER and invited her and BOB over for the evening. (S)u

On April 27, 1947, MILLER contacted WILDER SPAULDING (MILLER's former boss at the State Department). They discussed the possibilities of SPAULDING's son attending the Kent School in Kent, Connecticut. During the conversation BOB said that he saw LEONARD ~~RENNIE~~ at the Press Club and that RENNIE told him his tale of woe about the C. S. (ph) (probably a Division in the State Department). MILLER added that RENNIE moves entirely differently from what he used to as if he had been hit over the head "with the end of a bullwhip." SPAULDING replied, "They have been subdued and have been through a lot." He added that the ~~MARZANI~~ Case is not over yet. (MARZANI referred to above is probably CARL A. MARZANI, who is presently under indictment for perjury and fraud against the Government, who was formerly employed by the State Department in the Presentation Unit.) BOB told SPAULDING that RENNIE said that he, SPAULDING, "might be swallowed up in this C. S. business," whereupon SPAULDING said that he did not know what RENNIE means and added that maybe it's that old printing and processing business that he is talking about. BOB said that he hopes that this doesn't happen and WILDER said, "We have agreed to the Board but now it's been stalling for weeks and I don't know just why and the wrong thing may come out of it." (S)u

On April 29, 1947, ~~HELEN~~ PRICE contacted the MILLER residence and when advised that neither BOB nor JENNY was home, left word for JENNY to call her. Subsequently, JENNY contacted HELEN and they discussed a mutual friend, Dr. HERMAN LULLER, who is in town and is staying at the Wardman Park Hotel. They agreed to get together and see LULLER before he leaves town. (S)u

On April 30, 1947, JENNY contacted BOB in New York and BOB told her that he would not be home until the following day inasmuch as he was attending a party given by FELTUS the following night for some Press people. BOB advised JENNY that he was going to see her brother, HARRY, tomorrow for lunch whereupon JENNY instructed him to have a nice chat with him but don't tell him anything. (S)u

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RE: VICTOR PERLO *Peru*

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The following information was furnished by Confidential Informant *62 b7D*  
for the period of April 16 to April 30, inclusive. *(S)u*

On April 16 the informant ascertained that FANNIE MENAKER, ELLEN PERLO's mother, was in the hospital. *(S)u*

On April 17 the informant ascertained that a Miss RUSKIN of "The New Republic" magazine contacted VICTOR PERLO and asked if he could come down to her office inasmuch as HILL was down. It was agreed that PERLO would be in the office at 11:40 A. M. It is believed that HILL is ~~SILVER~~ ALTON, whose name was mentioned in a contact between Miss RUSKIN and VICTOR PERLO reported by the informant on April 15, 1947. *(S)u*

On April 18, 1947, BOB SCHWARTZ identified himself as being in Mr. DICKEN's office contacted VICTOR PERLO explaining that he understood PERLO was going to London with the International Refugee organization. SCHWARTZ then discussed a very close friend, one, JOEL FISCHER, who is one of the senior Americans on the staff. The informant ascertained that PERLO was acquainted with FISCHER and SCHWARTZ related that FISCHER was a very old and good friend of his and that if PERLO should run across FISCHER, he should mention BOB SCHWARTZ's name. *(S)u*

In describing FISCHER, SCHWARTZ stated that he was more of a politician than a technician, that he had done a lot of general political work in terms of relationship with staff people and that he was WALLACE's aide over at Commerce. Technically, SCHWARTZ stated, FISCHER was the Assistant Solicitor of the Commerce Department but actually he had been doing a lot of work with HENRY WALLACE. *(S)u*

On April 19, 1947 MARY WHEELER informed VICTOR PERLO that they desired to postpone the picnic from today to tomorrow. It was agreed that the PERLOS would come to WHEELERS about 11:30 tomorrow. *(S)u*

On the same date an unidentified man later ascertained by surveillance to be NATHAN WITT, contacted VICTOR PERLO from the residence of CHARLES KRAMER at which time it was agreed that PERLO would come out and see WITT. *(S)u*

On April 21 the informant ascertained that VICTOR PERLO was in New York and was not expected back until Wednesday or Thursday and possibly Friday. *(S)u*

On April 23, 1947 it was ascertained by the informant that the PERLOS had given a 30 day exclusive sale to C. ALLEN SHERWIN Real Estate Company (4241 Wisconsin Ave., N. W.). *(S)u*

On April 24, informant learned that ELLEN PERLO was expecting the return of VICTOR from New York. *(S)u*

On April 25 NICHOLAS MENAKER contacted ELLEN PERLO and the informant was of the opinion that VICTOR PERLO was home. NICHOLAS inquired if VICTOR's spirits were all right and ELLEN replied that his spirits were. *(S)u*

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On April 28 ELLEN PERLO advised her mother that VICTOR was getting the car checked and that she was getting the stuff together. Subsequently on this date GEORGE BLACK advised VICTOR that his policy had arrived. It was agreed that BLACK would come to the PERLO residence around 5:30 P. M. (S) u

On April 29 Mr. KAISER at Smith Transfer Company contacted VICTOR PERLO at which time PERLO made arrangements to transfer 1500 pounds of their furniture to "c/o MENAKER, Lake Buel Road, Great Barrington, Massachusetts". The informant ascertained that this address is approximately 360 miles from Washington in the southern part of Massachusetts and 20 miles from Pittsfield, Massachusetts. PERLO expressed a desire to have the furniture moved as soon as possible. However KAISER was unable to provide the exact day or hour when the furniture would be moved, but he did promise that the move would occur within a week. (S) u

KAISER was advised as soon as he learned what day the move would occur he should notify Mr. or Mrs. MENAKER at Union 2619. KAISER mentioned that the Mayflower handled their long distance hauling. (S) u

Informant learned on this contact that the MENAKERS do have a phone in Great Barrington but the number was not available. (S) u

On the same date Miss McDONALD (KATHY's teacher) contacted ELLEN PERLO and advised that KATHY went off without her report and transfer this evening. McDONALD asked if the PERLOS were leaving for sure tomorrow. ELLEN said "No, not for sure but they think so". McDONALD said she hoped KATHY would be happy in Great Barrington. (S) u

Later on this day one, BOB, believed to be BOB MENAKER, contacted VICTOR PERLO and NICHOLAS MENAKER and also ELLEN PERLO. He asked ELLEN if they were going up Thursday. ELLEN said she thought it would be tomorrow. BOB said that in that case he probably would not see her tonight but would see her when he got up there. (S) u

In his discussion with VICTOR, BOB asked: "Are you all right?" VICTOR replied, "Yeah, are you?" The informant also learned that BOB had some Argentine engineers coming to see him later and that BOB would probably be in town tomorrow and would come in to see NICHOLAS MENAKER at his office. (S) u

It may be noted that inquiry at the Friendship Branch Post Office reveals that it had received the following change of address dated May 1, 1947 for the PERLOS - "c/o MENAKER, Lake Buel Road, Great Barrington, Massachusetts". (S) (S) u

~~Address - Nicholas Menaker~~  
The Boston office has been advised of this movement of VICTOR PERLO's and has been furnished the necessary background data to assist it in maintaining a check on his activities while in Massachusetts. (S) (S) u

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Investigation has reflected that VICTOR PERLO has received mail from W. L. PROSSER, 2706 West Lake of Isle, Minneapolis, Minnesota. By letter dated April 28, 1947 the St. Paul office advised that WILLIAM L. PROSSER, 2706 Lake of the Isles Blvd., for the past four years has been practicing law with the firm Dorsey, Colman, Barker, Scott and Barber, 1300 First National Soo Line Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was born in 1898 at New Albany, Indiana, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Harvard in 1918 and an LLB degree at the University of Minnesota in 1928. He was admitted to practice law in Minnesota in 1928 and taught law at the university from 1930 until 1942.

Recently, it was announced that he was to become a member of the law faculty at Harvard University. He is the author of the book, "Prosser Torts".

The St. Paul Office advised that PROSSER is a fraternity brother of SA JOHN R. HEIM of the St. Paul Office who was in rather close contact with PROSSER while he was faculty adviser of "Minnesota Law Review" and Agent HEIM was a student editor. According to Agent HEIM there has never been any indication that PROSSER was pro-Russian or in any way connected with Communist matters. The indices of the St. Paul Office are negative as to WILLIAM L. PROSSER.

#### SURVEILLANCE

The following surveillance was conducted on April 19, 1947 by Special Agents WILLIAM R. CORNELISON and CHARLES G. CLEVELAND.

At 10:55 A. M. VICTOR PERLO drove up in front of 4621 South 34th Street in his car bearing 1946 DC tags 67-244 and entered CHARLES KRAIER's home.

At 11:03 PERLO, NATHAN WITT and WITT's young daughter left in PERLO's car and drove directly to the Jefferson Memorial where they left the car and walked around the Memorial. While walking they were heard by Agent CORNELISON to be discussing data which was believed to pertain to the interviews of some subjects in the GREGORY case.

Later they drove to the Washington Monument and walked around the grounds still talking very intently. At 12 o'clock noon they parked the car on 15th Street south of Pennsylvania Avenue and walked to the Willard Hotel where they ate lunch in the Coffee Shop. At 12:45 P. M. they left the Coffee Shop and walked to 15th and Pennsylvania Avenue where PERLO left NATHAN WITT and his daughter.

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The following investigation covers the period April 16 - 30, 1947, and is reported by Special Agent WILLIAM H. LARR. (u)

[MAIL COVER] (u)

The mail cover which is maintained on PLENN's residence at 1511 Park Road, Apartment 6 and on his office at the Library of Congress produced no information of value during the pertinent period. (u) 4

[INFORMATION FURNISHED BY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT] (u) b2 b7D

In reading the following information furnished by the informant, it should be borne in mind that MURIEL DRAPER, a New York Communist of some prominence, was a house guest at the PLENN residence for several days during the period covered by this insert. (u) 4

[April 16, 1947] (u) 4

ANN HARTON talked to MURIEL DRAPER at the PLENN residence. ANN asked MURIEL how many people she expected to come to Washington from New York and MURIEL told her approximately sixty and mentioned that the American Labor Party was not sending any delegates. The two women discussed a meeting place for the delegation and MURIEL mentioned she had asked SYLVIA WEITSCHER about arranging speakers for the delegation. They also talked about MURIEL's scheduled radio talk on Station WJDC, scheduled for the morning of April 16th which was cancelled. The two women agreed the address had been cancelled because the station felt it was too controversial an issue. It is noted that MURIEL had been scheduled to speak against the loans to Greece and Turkey. (u) 4

The two women also spoke at some length about the difficulty they had encountered in obtaining the right to rent the Laborers' Hall at 523 New Jersey Avenue, N. W. It is also noted that ANN HARTON mentioned MURIEL's appointment for that date at the State Department. (u) 4

[April 18, 1947] (u) 4

JOAN COPPOCK, wife of WILSON COPPOCK, talked to DORIS PLENN and after discussing social matters, DORIS mentioned MARY EATON BROTH (phonetic) whom she described as "a gallant old fighter" for the rights of women. From the conversation it appears that MARY BROTH is not a resident of Washington, D. C. (u) 4

Later in the day DORIS PLENN spoke to KATHERINE MURLEY to verify the meeting to be held that evening at the St. John's Parish Hall, 821 - 16th (u) 4

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Street, N. W., which was being handled by GEORGE FRAIN (East and West Association). DORIS and KATHERINE agreed to meet each other that evening for the meeting and KATHERINE indicated she would take DORIS to the "Highlander School" meeting afterward. The "Highlander School" referred to by KATHERINE is apparently the Highlander Folk School. KATHERINE also mentioned she had spoken to HOPE ELDRIDGE and HOPE mentioned she would try to get DE WITT ELDRIDGE out to the FRAIN meeting. (S) 4

[April 20, 1947] (S) 4

DORIS FLENN spoke to HELEN RENNEY, wife of LEONARD C. RENNEY of the State Department. DORIS invited HELEN and LEONARD to attend the next meeting at St. John's Parish Hall. (Apparently the next meeting of the East and West Association.) During the conversation, HELEN mentioned she is a member of an artists' co-op on I Street. (S) 4

[April 23, 1947] (S) 4

DE WITT ELDRIDGE talked to DORIS FLENN and mentioned that he was attending an important meeting of the American Veterans' Committee. DE WITT and DORIS mentioned several friends, including URIEL DRAPER, and then the conversation turned to a book which DE WITT is writing along with Dr. KEATING. Dr. KEATING is apparently identical with CLARK KEATING who is in charge of the Department of Romance Languages at the George Washington University. (S) 4

CRISTO BORRAS talked to DORIS FLENN and they discussed a magazine article, the title of which was not mentioned. During the discussion BORRAS made the statement, "Some day we will be able maybe to open the people's minds", and then commented immediately thereafter, "or maybe some day they will be compelled to open their minds a bit." DORIS commented that such action is at times necessary and mentioned that during the American Civil War, people didn't want to abolish slavery but were forced to and in the end the result was good. BORRAS mentioned that a majority of the people, the masses, have to be driven. This statement was apparently a bit too strong for DORIS and she told BORRAS she didn't quite agree, after which he replied, "I really believe that they have to be driven. It isn't enough to educate them. First you have to drive them and once you have driven them where you want them, then you have to make them swallow what's good for them, just like a little child that you have to give cod liver oil. Naturally the child doesn't like it because it is too strong in taste. It doesn't go and you have to force it on the child. The same thing has to be -- the masses. The masses have to be driven and then have to be given what's good for them regardless whether they like it or not." (S) 4

DORIS appeared somewhat shocked by this rather caustic statement and commented, "That sounds dreadful," and BORRAS replied, "It is very pitiful that these things have to be done this way." He added a bit later, "Really there is no other solution because if you try to do it by persuasion, you never get anywhere." After a bit more discussion, BORRAS elaborated further, "It is (S) 4

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"too bad that you cannot convince people by talking to them. It is very sad. So, there is no way of convincing them, that is, the majority. You convince some, yes, but usually the ones you convince -- it isn't that you convince them, they are already convinced -- the thing is that the only thing they need is someone to show them the way but the average person is, I would say -- well, let's call it dumb." Speaking further a bit later in the conversation, BORRAS mentioned that it could be said that perhaps ninety per cent of the total inhabitants of the world have to be driven just like you lead a flock of sheep. He mentioned further that one might say that a watch dog is needed to bite the legs of the sheep once in awhile and that you don't have to harm them too much, just a little bit, just make them feel it, just to make them feel that they have to go your way -- that it is for their own good. (S) 4

DORIS commented to BORRAS that his philosophy was a very hard philosophy and BORRAS agreed it is, but commented that he didn't believe in turning the other cheek. He elaborated, stating, "I believe in order to progress, in order to have the world safe for democracy (laughter) you must make them (the people) swallow democracy because democracy is not enough by just writing it down on a piece of paper and then let them all loose. No, no, you have to make them obey and make them realize that one's freedom ends where the other fellow's freedom starts." (S) 4

April 24, 1947 (S) 4

JOHN COPPECK spoke briefly to DORIS PLENN and mentioned that WILSON's position still isn't very secure. It will be recalled that WILSON COPPECK has been most fearful for his position because of possible disloyal actions. (S) 4

April 26, 1947 (S) 4

GAIL McDONALD, wife of ANGUS McDONALD of the "New Republic", talked to DORIS PLENN. GAIL wished to invite DORIS to a "New Republic" cocktail party the following Saturday evening. (S) 4

DORIS PLENN talked to KATHERINE HURLEY, the conversation being chiefly personal in nature. DORIS mentioned she wished to contact ANNE KIDD (of the King-Smith School) to get some information concerning the Black Mountain School. The two women described the Black Mountain School as a "liberal institution" and DORIS mentioned that TOPPIE (EILY) BASSHE was quite interested in the school. The remainder of the conversation was quite long. The informant advised that its nature was not particularly pertinent. At the conclusion of the conversation KATHERINE invited DORIS to visit her later in the evening. (S) 4

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DORIS PLENN talked to <sup>X</sup>WELLIE FRAIN and asked her to apologize to GEORGE (FRAIN) for her not having attended the meeting last night. During the conversation, WELLIE mentioned she took a Civil Service examination today and feels she may have passed. (E) 4 ~~SECRET~~

ANNE KYDD talked to DORIS PLENN and stated that she understood KATHARINE HURLEY was at the PLENNs. DORIS invited ANNE to come over but the invitation was declined. However, after speaking to KATHARINE and after more conversation, it was agreed among the women that KATHARINE and DORIS would go over and visit ANNE. (E) 4

April 27, 1947 (E) 4

JOAN COPPOCK talked to DORIS PLENN at quite some length about her husband WILSON, the conversation dealing chiefly with his worry over his position. JOAN mentioned that WILSON still hadn't heard anything definite and expects to see a lawyer on the following day. She commented further that WILSON is most undecided as to just what action he should take and has about reached the point where he feels that perhaps he should do nothing to aggravate the matter. The two women agreed that WILSON is working under a terrific strain in view of the uncertainty of his position. Toward the conclusion of the conversation DORIS invited JOAN to attend the political philosophy class conducted by PALMER WEBBER at the King-Smith School on the following Tuesday evening. DORIS described PALMER WEBBER as a former University of Virginia graduate and a Rhodes Scholar. She mentioned he handles the class very well and commented that it is composed of black, white, rich, poor, Jew, and Gentile. DORIS mentioned that on the previous Tuesday night there were a number of Southern girls in the class and things got a little out of hand. She explained that apparently the girls' viewpoint was challenged for the first time and they resented such action. (E) 4

It should be noted that during the period covered by this insert, ABEL PLENN was absent most of the time in New York. The informant advised he understands PLENN made this trip for business purposes and is endeavoring to dispose of some real estate holdings in the New York area. (E) 4

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

During the period covered by this insert, ABEL PLENN was in New York during practically the entire period.

An attempt was made to verify the presence of JUREL DRAPER at the PLENNs' home but her presence could not be definitely ascertained inasmuch as she was not observed entering or leaving the PLENN apartment.

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CATHERINE REIGHARD of 300 Bleecker Street, New York City, has appeared previously in this case as a correspondent of ABEL PLENN. The New York Office has advised it has been ascertained that CATHERINE REIGHARD has been affiliated with the New York University periodically since 1922. At present she is assigned as an English professor and is stationed in the New York University Annex in White Plains High School, White Plains, New York, where she is a professor of English at the school organized for returning veterans. (C) 4

REIGHARD was born April 8, 1893, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and most of her adult life has apparently been spent in teaching work. From 1923 to 1926, she was affiliated with Wayne University, formerly the College of the City of Detroit. From 1926 to 1927 she attended the Yale School of Drama, New Haven, Connecticut. In 1929 she spent six weeks in Europe on a Fellowship, and from 1930 to 1932 she was Director of the Puppet Players, professional group in New York City. She returned to Washington Square College, New York University, in 1935 and has been affiliated with this institution ever since that date. (C) 4

Professor FRANK McCLOSKEY of New York University describes REIGHARD as an average individual, commenting that some of her opinions may be described as liberal but indicated he has never received the impression that she is a Communist sympathizer. Her school record is very good and no derogatory information is known concerning her. (C) 4

~~S. DASGUPTA~~ (C) 4

This individual who addressed a letter to PLENN and gave the return address, P. O. Box 864, Ypsilanti, Michigan, has been ascertained as being identical with ~~SE. DASGUPTA~~, an Indian student at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan. No derogatory information concerning him was secured and it appears that he probably obtained PLENN's name as the result of reading or seeing PLENN's book "Wind in the Olive Trees". This individual is identified by the Detroit Division and full background information concerning him may be found in the report of Special Agent HAYLON F. COLLIER dated April 19, 1947, at Detroit, Michigan. (C) 4

~~CRISTO BORRAS~~ (C) 4

This individual is apparently identical with ~~CHRISTOBAL BORRAS~~. In the City Directory for 1943 BORRAS is listed as the Director of the BORRAS School of Languages, residence 2525 Pennsylvania, N. W. (C) 4

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By pretext investigation at 2525 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., it was ascertained that CRISTOBEL BORRAS is no longer living at this address. He is reportedly associated with the Borrás School of Spanish, 1611 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., and is said to have a brother named PETER BORRAS who is employed at the Madrillon Restaurant.

Washington Field Office files reveal that PETER BORRAS is host at the Madrillon Restaurant and has been reported by [REDACTED] as a member of the Washington Bookshop in September, 1946. (c) b1

A check of the Credit Bureau, 1221 G Street, N. W., was negative concerning CRISTOBAL BORRAS.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

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By letter dated March 25, 1947, the Washington Field Office advised the Bureau that DORIS PLENN had told DE WITT ELDRIDGE on March 23, 1947, that she has "cousins in the FBI, in the Department of Agriculture - (Department of ?) State - Raleigh, whom she never sees but that their fathers and mothers, her uncles and aunts, would feel very upset if their loyalty would be questioned." This statement was made by DORIS PLENN while she and ELDRIDGE were bitterly denouncing President TRUMAN's Executive Order concerning a loyalty check for Government employees. A copy of this letter was directed to the Charlotte Office with the request that appropriate investigation be conducted to identify any relatives of DORIS PLENN in the service of the FBI or other Government agencies. (c) u

By letter dated April 29, 1947, the Charlotte Office furnished the Bureau and the Washington Field Office with the following information:

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It has been ascertained that MARGARET LOUISE ~~TROUTMAN~~, a cousin by marriage of DORIS PLENN, is apparently presently employed by the Bureau in Washington, D. C.

Mr. JOHN L. MILHOLLAND, Postmaster, Statesville, North Carolina, advised that CHAL ERS E. TROUTMAN, father of DORIS PLENN, is a brother of E. J. TROUTMAN, Route 3, Statesville, North Carolina. E. J. TROUTMAN has a son EUGENE who married MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN, daughter of CLIFTON J. TROUTMAN of Statesville. CLIFTON J. TROUTMAN is not closely related to CHAL ERS E. TROUTMAN. According to Mr. MILHOLLAND and other acquaintances of MARGARET LOUISE at Statesville, she and her family are all of good character and reputation and are loyal American citizens. MARGARET LOUISE TROUTMAN's husband, EUGENE TROUTMAN, was in the United States Marine Corps and both he and his wife now reside in Washington, D. C.

EUGENE TROUTMAN and his parents are regarded as persons of good reputation at Statesville.

Mrs. E. F. LOFTIN, Assistant Postmistress, Troutman, North Carolina, reported she is acquainted with the relatives of DORIS PLENN on her father's side, having been born and reared in this vicinity herself. DORIS PLENN's father, PALMER E. TROUTMAN, was married twice and is divorced from both wives. By his first wife he had two children, FRED TROUTMAN of Statesville and SARAH TROUTMAN (Mrs. FRED LIPPARD), Route 3, Statesville. He also had two children by his second wife, namely, DORIS (DORIS PLENN) and FRED TROUTMAN who resides at Kinston, North Carolina, and has three small children. PALMER had three brothers, namely, E. J. TROUTMAN, JOHN TROUTMAN of Route 3, Statesville, and Dr. PAUL W. TROUTMAN, a dentist at Hickory, North Carolina. He had one sister, Mrs. LYTTEN, now deceased. The children of these brothers and the deceased sister are all known to Mrs. LOFTON who enumerated each one and advised they are either deceased or living in the vicinity and none of them are known to be employed by the United States Government. Mrs. LOFTON stated very little is known by her concerning the brothers and sisters of the wives of PALMER TROUTMAN, both of whom are now deceased.

By letter dated May 5, 1947, the Bureau advised the Washington Field Office it has been determined that the cousin referred to by DORIS PLENN in connection with the matter reported above is Mrs. LOUISE T. ~~TROUTMAN~~, a current Bureau employee. Mrs. TROUTMAN has advised that DORIS PLENN is a first cousin of her, LOUISE TROUTMAN's, husband. She stated that since coming to Washington she has not visited DORIS PLENN although it was suggested when she first came to Washington that she should contact DORIS. Mrs. TROUTMAN knew of no other relatives who may be employed in the Government service in Washington. She stated that the TROUTMAN family is widespread in North Carolina, and it is possible that certain members of the family not closely related to her may be in the service without her knowledge. The Bureau pointed out that since the cousin referred to by DORIS PLENN has been identified, investigation by the Charlotte Office should be discontinued.

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[RE: ABEL ROLF PLENN *Jeru*]

The following investigation covers the period from May 1st through May 15, 1947, and is reported by Special Agent WILLIAM H. MARR: (P) (u)

[MAIL COVER] (P) (u)

The mail cover which is maintained on the subject's residence, 1511 Park Road, N. W., apartment 6, and also on his office in the Library of Congress produced no information of pertinent value during the above period. (P) (u)

[INFORMATION FURNISHED BY CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT] (P) (u)

[May 3, 1947] (P) (u)

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DORIS PLENN talked to DEWITT ELDRIDGE of George Washington University and among other things they mentioned going to GAIL McDONALD'S for the evening. It will be recalled that GAIL McDONALD is the wife of ANGUS McDONALD, who is currently employed by the "New Republic." DEWITT commented that he would be unable to attend inasmuch as it is necessary for him to be present at an International Affairs Committee meeting of the American Veterans Committee at 7:30 P. M. that evening. He added, however, that he would leave early and would pick DORIS up about 9:00 o'clock, after which they could go to the McDONALD'S residence. (P) (u)

Later in the day DORIS PLENN talked briefly to GAIL McDONALD at her home, 4104 Third Street, N. W. It was agreed that DORIS and DEWITT ELDRIDGE would arrive sometime after 9:00 P. M. (P) (u)

GEORGE FRAIN talked to DORIS PLENN and mentioned that he had recently been in conversation with SOL PANITZ. He also mentioned that he had talked to MALCOLM LAMBERN (ph) and he had mentioned IRVING and HILDA SHAPIRO. Later during the conversation ETHEL MANNING was mentioned. It should be noted that the entire conversation concerned plans for the organization of the Washington Arts Committee which is a new organization being formed by FRAIN which has as its avowed purpose the fostering and promotion of the arts. SOL PANITZ, mentioned above, is believed to be identical with the SOL PANITZ who maintains an office in the National Press Building, and who resides at 2707 Upshur Street, telephone number UNION 3723. (P) (u)

[May 4, 1947] (P) (u)

BETTY HOLT talked briefly with DORIS PLENN and inquired if VIRGINIA LEWIS had left town. DORIS affirmed that she had left that morning. (VIRGINIA LEWIS left Washington on this date for a ten days rest.) DORIS inquired if BETTY would like to join her Tuesday night and attend a class at the King-Smith (P) (u)

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School, which class is taught by PALMER WEBBER. (This is the class in political philosophy taught by PALMER WEBBER which has been mentioned in prior reports.) It was finally decided that BETTY would visit DORIS the following evening. (S) u

[May 5, 1947] (S) u

LEONARD RENNIE of the State Department contacted DORIS PLENN and indicated a desire to talk to ABEL PLENN. DORIS explained that ABEL was still in New York City and would probably be back about the middle of the week. During the conversation LEONARD mentioned that the state of morale was very low in his office. He said, "I tell you, I am really coming to the serious conclusion that there is a rather coherent movement afoot to keep out of Government people or operations which are clarifying and revealing." A bit later in the conversation he commented that he feels that persons who can describe an issue clearly and concisely so that everyone understands it are not wanted in the Government. DORIS and LEONARD engaged in some discussion belittling the policy-making group at the White House and State Department and finally DORIS commented that she hoped LEONARD was putting up a good fight. RENNIE commented that they were "fighting like hell" and were trying to draw the line between becoming unpopular and still keeping strong. Toward the conclusion of the conversation DORIS commented she had recently attended the opening of a new show at the Barnett-Haydn Gallery. She added that she went because it was colored and felt twice responsible to attend. She also mentioned that she "just loves Mr. HAYDN and thinks he is one of the world's sweetest people." (S) u

[May 7, 1947] (S) u

BETTY COLTMAN and DORIS PLENN engaged in a brief social conversation. BETTY COLTMANN is identical with Mrs. WILLIAM P. COLTMANN who has been a regular tenant in Apartment number 5, 1511 Park Road, N. W., telephone DEcatur 8010 for several years. However, during this time she has been absent from her apartment a good portion of the period and as a result it has been sublet on numerous occasions. It should be noted that the COLTMANN apartment is on the same floor as the PLENN apartment. (S) u

[May 9, 1947] (S) u

DEWITT ELDRIDGE and DORIS PLENN had a rather lengthy conversation in which such individuals as PETER SEEGER and BLANCHARD, both friends of the ELDRIDGES and the PLENNs in New York were mentioned. Other persons mentioned were Dr. DUBOIS, the author of "Africa and the World," GEORGE FRAIN and DAVID CAMPBELL. It was agreed that DORIS and DEWITT would meet at the Metropolitan Church that evening to attend a meeting at which Dr. DUBOIS would discuss his recent book, "Africa and the World." It is believed that this meeting was being sponsored under the auspices of the Washington Book Shop. (S) u

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May 10, 1947 (4) u

An individual identifying himself as MAX talked to DORIS PLENN and invited her to go and look at a horse which he recently purchased. DORIS declined, indicating that she could not go that afternoon. During the conversation MAX mentioned that he owned Accurate Translations Service, Inc., 711 Woodward Building, telephone METropolitan 7548. It is noted that the telephone directory lists one MAX LEKUS, address 2503 14th Street, N. W., telephone Hobart 8534. (4) u

KATHERINE HURLEY talked to DORIS PLENN and invited her to go on a "buggy ride" that afternoon. DORIS declined. KATHERINE was uncertain of the success of this venture, but mentioned that at a meeting the previous night only two white teachers attended. The "buggy ride" referred to above was part of a program which was organized protesting the low salary scale for teachers in the District of Columbia. The "buggy" was the horse-drawn carriage used by the Riverside Stadium, which apparently was acquired by KATHERINE HURLEY and her assistants and which was decorated with appropriate slogans protesting the teachers' salary scale and thereafter driven about in Washington in an apparent attempt to gain sympathy and public support for the teachers. It will be recalled that KATHERINE HURLEY has been quite active in an attempt to unionize white and colored teachers in the District of Columbia. (4) u

May 12, 1947 (4) u

VIRGINIA LEWIS talked briefly to ABEL PLENN, who mentioned he had returned to Washington from New York on the previous day. VIRGINIA commented that she had just returned to Washington, coming back from Bristol, Virginia. VIRGINIA wished to make arrangements to talk to ABEL'S friend, MAX EGIOFF. (4) u

Later on the same date ABEL PLENN attempted to contact the Guatemalan Ambassador JORGE GRANADOS, but was unsuccessful. He then talked to the Ambassador's wife, JUDITH, and she inquired how ABEL'S book was progressing. ABEL commented that it was progressing slowly and that he had spent the greater part of the last two months in New York. (4) u

DORIS PLENN contacted MARJORIE EGIOFF and invited MARJORIE and her husband, MAX, for dinner on the following day. The invitation was accepted. (4) u

May 13, 1947 (4) u

DOROTHEA FRANK talked to DORIS PLENN and mentioned that she had at one time worked with ABEL at Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service. She also mentioned that she and her husband, PETER, had seen ABEL when ABEL spoke at the Book Shop. DOROTHEA mentioned that they were having a Spanish couple for dinner on the following Thursday and would like to have ABEL and DORIS attend. The invitation was accepted. DORIS asked DOROTHEA if she had ever been out of (4) u

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the country and DOROTHEA mentioned that she went to Cairo for a year in 1944 with OSS and at present she is with the State Department in the Cultural Program on Near Middle East and Africa. The FRANCK'S address is 1734 P Street, N. W., Apartment 52. In closing DOROTHEA mentioned that the name of the couple who are coming to dinner is BOSCH and commented that Mr. BOSCH is from Mexico City and is doing work in the Archives on a special study of the Spanish American War. (S) 4

May 14, 1947 (S) 4

KATHERINE HURLEY talked to DORIS PLENN and during the conversation it was revealed that DORIS would not attend the PALMER WEBBER class in the King-Smith School that evening inasmuch as JOAN COPPOCK, the wife of WILSON COPPOCK, was coming over to DORIS PLENN'S. The remainder of the conversation was entirely of a social and personal nature. (S) 4

A Mrs. MILLER contacted DORIS PLENN to remind her of the Washington Arts Committee meeting on the coming Friday at the St. Johns Church. Mrs. MILLER mentioned that they had obtained Congresswoman HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS to speak at the big meeting on May 28, 1947. DORIS promised to attend the Friday night meeting. (S) 4

ABEL PLENN contacted WILSON COPPOCK and mentioned that he would recontact WILSON on Friday and make a definite date to "compare notes." During the conversation WILSON mentioned an article in the "Times Herald" in which it was reported that "BEETLE SMITH" had praised Russia's culture. WILSON commented that he could hardly believe his eyes when he read the article and ABEL agreed that it was wonderful. (S) 4

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES

Spot check surveillances at the PLENN apartment after PLENN returned from New York indicated that he is continuing his manuscript work on his book. No other surveillances were conducted during this period.

#### IDENTITY OF CONTACTS (S) 4

SOONTARN KAHANTLAKSANA. This individual is a correspondent of ABEL PLENN and is known to have been acquainted with him personally at one time. The Seattle office in a report dated May 7, 1947, has identified this individual as NAI SOONTORN KAHANTLAKSANA, 4142 12th Avenue, N. E., Seattle, Washington. He was born June 17, 1919, at Ayudhaya, Siam, and is presently attending the University of Washington on a scholarship from the Siamese Legation, taking a regular course in Aeronautic Engineering. He entered the University of Washington March 4, 1946, and previously studied at the Boeing School of Aeronautics, Oakland, California. His guardian is Mr. MURRAY SHEEHAN, 2300 Kalaroma Road, N.W., (S) 4

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Washington, D. C. This individual was commended by letter prepared by Brigadier General JOHN M. MAGRUDER, Director of the Office of Strategic Services, for his service with OSS during World War II. KAHANTLAKSANA resides at the home of a member of the ~~Socialist Workers Party~~, where Socialist Workers Party meetings are held, and where other members reside. It is noted that the owner of the premises at 4142 12th Avenue, N. E., Seattle, is Mr. CHARLES SWETT, who, as mentioned above, is a member of the Socialist Workers Party. It is of interest that SWETT was a Socialist Workers Party candidate for the United States Senate in 1946. (S)(u)

COVERAGE

The following is a summary of pertinent information furnished by Confidential Informant, whose identity is known to the Bureau, during the period February 15th through April 28, 1947. b2 b7D

On February 15, 1947, HAROLD COULANDER, 244 West 10th Street, New York, addressed a personal letter to DORIS PLENN. The salutation of the letter was "Dear Doris" and the content of the letter was wholly personal.

On February 28, 1947, the bank statement of ABEL PLENN was made available covering the period January 30th through February 25th. A survey of the checks drawn by PLENN at that time on his account at the HAMILTON NATIONAL BANK indicates no checks of a suspicious nature. A great many of the checks were drawn to the order of "cash" and were for small amounts.

On February 27, 1947, DORIS PLENN received an invitation from the Congress of American Women to attend the International Women's Day Reception to be held at Pierce Hall, 16th and Harvard Streets, N. W., Sunday, March 8, 1947. It is noted that the guests of honor included Dr. GENE WELTFISH, speaker, Mrs. LIDIA NOVIKOV - Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, Mrs. JURAT SLOVICK - Czechoslovakia, Mrs. VLADIMIR HOUDEK - Czechoslovakia, Mrs. INGRI GUNNENG - Norway, Mrs. LEON VAN DEN BERGHE - Belgium, Dr. MICA TROBOJIVIC - Yugoslavia, Mrs. GELENA BILINSKA - Poland, Mrs. ANDREE ROCHE - France, Mrs. BOYAN ATHANASSOV - Bulgaria.

(The International Women's Day Reception was sponsored by the Washington, D. C., Chapter of the Congress of American Women. The Congress of American Women is affiliated with the Women's International Democratic Conference which was organized in November, 1945, at Paris, France. Among the organizers were DOLORES IBARRURI, better known as LA PASSIONARIA, formerly head of the Communist Party in Spain and a witness to the

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dissolution of the Third International at Moscow. The American delegates to the Women's International Democratic Conference included HENRIETTA BUCKMASTER, THELMA DALE, MURIEL DRAPER and GENE WELTFISH, all of whom are either known Communists or active in Communist front organizations. It is of particular interest that MURIEL DRAPER is a close personal friend of DORIS and ABEL PLENN, and only recently while in Washington, D. C., MURIEL DRAPER was the house guest of DORIS PLENN.)

On March 4, 1947, DORIS PLENN received a letter from BEAKES SMITH of Burlingham, New York. The salutation of the letter is "Dear Doris" and the signature is "BEAKES." The content of the letter is of a personal nature.

On March 17, 1947, DORIS PLENN received a personal letter from ABEL, who was in New York at that time working on his book. The letter discusses the difficulties ABEL was having in the preparation of his book and concludes in a pessimistic vein at which point PLENN asks, "What will we do for money and what can I say to MARIA (HYDE) and the others?" In this connection it should be pointed out that information gained from various sources indicates that PLENN is continually in difficult financial straits.

DORIS PLENN received a letter (undated) postmarked March 26, 1947, from Birmingham, Alabama, from the Southern Negro Youth Congress, 526-28 Masonic Temple Building, Birmingham, Alabama. The letter recommended DORIS PLENN to membership in the Southern Negro Youth Congress and enclosed a membership card certifying that Mrs. DORIS T. PLENN is a member of the Southern Negro Youth Conference until January 8, 1948. The card is signed by EDWARD K. WEAVER, President, and MOENETTA STEELE. The card is Number 4196.

By letter postmarked March 29, 1947, DORIS PLENN received a communication from ALFRED MENDEL. ALFRED enclosed for DORIS a clipping from the Publishers Weekly indicating that ABEL PLENN had grossed at least \$5,000.00 in royalties from his book, "Wind in the Olive Trees." The content of the letter was of a personal nature and contained nothing of particular significance.

ABEL PLENN received a letter from BONI & GAER, Publishers, postmarked April 2, New York, New York, which enclosed a letter addressed to him, care of BONI & GAER, dated March 26, 1947, signed by GEORGE H. BARREL, 199 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts. The letter was addressed, "Dear A. P." and expressed enthusiasm for PLENN'S book "Wind in the Olive Trees." BARREL continued by wishing PLENN much success and indicated he would be most happy to see PLENN should he come to Boston at any time in the future.

DORIS and ABEL PLENN received a postcard postmarked April 10, 1947, Washington, D. C., which invited them to a special meeting at Pierce Hall, 16th and Harvard Streets, N. W., on April 13, 1947. The card indicated that Brigadier General H. C. HOLDRIDGE, United States Army Retired, would be chairman

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of the meeting and the discussion would be long lines of debate as to whether the time as come to form a political party devoted to the welfare, not of a brief minority, but of the people of the United States as a whole. The postcard bore the handwritten notation, "I hope you both can come. Cordially yours, MINNIE FROST RANDS, Secretary."

DORIS PLENN received a letter dated Sunday, April 20, 1947, from ABEL PLENN, who was in New York at that time. Much of the letter was of a personal nature, but it is significant that PLENN comments, "Your letter about Muriel (Draper) was beautiful." He continues, "I am having dinner at her place tonight with her and Peter Lindamood." Further in the letter PLENN comments, "Muriel has been all full of 'discovering' Doris since her trip to Washington, Peter L. tells me. I will hear more tonight. That pleases me-- I knew she would be taken with you if she ever sat down and really saw you and talked to you. You are right about her weakness though, I feel quite sure."

DORIS PLENN received a letter dated April 20, 1947, Washingtonville, New York, from M. J. ILLENBERG, Box 295, Washingtonville, New York. The identity of the writer is not known but it appears he is a social acquaintance of DORIS PLENN. The letter contains no particular information of significance.

DORIS PLENN received a letter dated April 28, 1947, from ABEL who was in New York at that time. It is noted that PLENN was still at the home of VIRGINIA BHTA, 129 Macdougall Street, New York. In the course of his letter PLENN mentioned in one instance, "I got a fine letter from (BEN) BOTKIN yesterday with an enclosed personal note to the editor of Holt's \* \* \* He discusses at length his efforts to secure a publisher for his new book." In another place he mentions, "Give KATHERINE H. (HURLEY) my love \* \* \*" An examination of the remainder of the letter indicates no information of pertinence.

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Informant has also advised that during the period covered, namely February 15th through April 28, 1947, PLENN has continued to receive mail from C. A. GAULD, who is presently in Rio De Janerio, Brazil, and who has previously been discussed in prior reports. DORIS PLENN regularly receives mail from her daughter, EMILY PASSHE, who is attending school at New York University. Informant advises that EMILY (Toppi) wishes to discontinue school at the end of the school term, is apparently dissatisfied and seems to be in an unsettled and uncertain frame of mind.

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Informant also reported that PLENN has continued to receive letters from ANN JONES, well known Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Communist. Informant reports that while PLENN was in New York in March there is every indication that he and ANN JONES were together on various occasions. In the report of Special Agent LAMBERT G. ZANDER dated March 25, 1947, it is pointed out that there is every indication that

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**MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION**

Reference is made to the report in this case dated March 25, 1947, in which it is pointed out that on February 19, 1947, ANDREW H. OLDER, a known Communist, who is in the employment of DREW PEARSON, contacted ABEL PLENN, at which time PLENN told OLDER that he had a friend who was in Washington from New York and expected to stay a day or two. PLENN indicated he wished OLDER to see this man and added that he thought OLDER could give him a "lead or two." PLENN identified his friend as "HUMBOLDT" and indicated that OLDER could reach him at Executive 3958. It is believed that HUMBOLDT is identical with CHARLES HUMBOLDT who is a contributor to "Mainstream" published by the New Century Publishers, Inc., 823 Broadway, New York, New York. This publication is reportedly a pro-Communist publication. It has been ascertained that the number Executive 3958, which PLENN told OLDER was the location where HUMBOLDT could be contacted, is the phone number of VIRGINIA GARDNER, 802 F Street, N. W. VIRGINIA GARDNER is a well-known figure in Communist publication circles and has an extensive background of Communist friends and associates. Among her various activities VIRGINIA GARDNER is the Washington representative of the "New Masses" and the "Peoples Voice", both known Communist publications.

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RE: WILLIAM WALTER REMINGTON

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The results of a mail cover placed on the subject's residence at 1717 Riggs Place failed to develop any information concerning REMINGTON. (u)

~~X~~ Confidential Informant [REDACTED] has failed to develop any information pertinent to the investigation of subject REMINGTON from May 1st to 15th, inclusive. REMINGTON's present address is 1717 Riggs Place, N. W., phone number Metropolitan 4070. His business address is the Economic Advisor's Council, Executive Office of the President, Room 63, Old State Department Building at 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., telephone Executive 3300, extension 327. (u) b2 b7D

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RE: ALLAN ROBERT ROSENBERG

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The following investigation covering the period April 16 through May 15, 1947 is reported by Special Agent WILLIAM H. MARR:

MAIL COVER

*\*address-*  
*also* The mail cover which is maintained on the subject's residence at 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland and also on his office at 1822 Jefferson Place, N. W. provided the following information during the above-mentioned period:

TO:

FROM:

POSTMARK:

Allan Rosenberg, 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland

*\*address*  
1305 Louis Street,  
Kansas City, Missouri

Kansas City  
April 14,  
1947

Allan R. Rosenberg, 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland

*\*address*  
Mrs. I. G. Rosenberg,  
325 Baltimore Street,  
Brookline, Mass.

Boston, Mass.  
April 26, 1947

Allan R. Rosenberg, 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland

*\*address*  
Box 2233, Boston, Mass.

Boston, Mass.  
April 25, 1947

A. R. Rosenberg, 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland

*\*address*  
No. 4 Wadsworth House,  
Cambridge, Mass.

Boston, Mass.  
May 2, 1947

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April 17, 1947:

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ERNA ROSENBERG in conversation with ALLAN ROSENBERG mentioned that they had received a letter from MARY LOU FINBERG reporting that their application for the adoption of a child had been approved. It will be recalled that for some time the ROSENBERG'S have been endeavoring to secure approval for the adoption of a second child from the Kansas City Juvenile Department.

April 18, 1947:

ERNA ROSENBERG talked to BERNARD GEKOSKI at the Department of Agriculture. The conversation was of a social and personal nature and it was agreed that the ROSENBERG'S would visit the GEKOSKI'S on the following Thursday evening. It was also mentioned that ALLAN ROSENBERG would be at the Lawyers Guild meeting on Wednesday night.

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EDITH SALANT talked previously to ERNA ROSENBERG and discussed the party for that evening. It was agreed that the ROSENBERG'S would

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pick up the LUNNING'S (Just and Freddie)

April 19, 1947:

CARL GREEN contacted ERNA ROSENBERG and among other things mentioned that he had seen ERNEST'S friend, Mrs. LUCILLE EZEKIEL recently. GREEN and ERNA ROSENBERG mentioned numerous individuals known to both of them and engaged in general conversation concerning JANE PATTERSON, GAIL RICHTER, HARRIET SIMON, ESTHER PLOTNICK, MAYNARD GERTLER and Mr. and Mrs. JUST LUNNING. In connection with JUST LUNNING, ERNA mentioned that she understood he was going to work for his father in New York.

April 22, 1947:

During a conversation between ERNA and ALLAN ROSENBERG, ALLAN mentioned that on the following night he would probably stay downtown and work until it was time to go to the meeting of the Lawyers Guild. It is noted that ROSENBERG continues to be quite active in the affairs of the National Lawyers Guild.

April 28, 1947:

One ROSE FLEISCH contacted ERNA ROSENBERG and mentioned that she is in Washington sightseeing with two friends. She told ERNA she was staying at the Raleigh Hotel, Room 306.

CARL GREEN talked to ERNA ROSENBERG and mentioned that he had just been to his doctor. CARL then generally discussed his personal affairs with ERNA dealing chiefly with his hope for a new job. He mentioned that he had seen BARNEY LEROY that afternoon and commented that he had told ED BRECHER that he would leave WQOW if he could get \$.50 a week elsewhere. During the conversation ERNA invited CARL out to her home for the evening and he declined stating that he was going to the MAGDOFF'S. He commented that this would be his first visit at their home in over a year. (GREEN also mentioned that it had been a year since he had visited "HERBIE" SCHIMMEL.) Near the conclusion of the conversation CARL told ERNA that confidentially he thought DAVE WAHL is leaving town. He added that DAVE WAHL hadn't made up his mind and perhaps he should not have mentioned the matter since it was rather premature. He said, however, that DAVE is definitely planning to leave Washington.

May 1, 1947:

During a telephone conversation between ERNA ROSENBERG and ALLAN ROSENBERG, which the informant was in a position to overhear,

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ALLAN mentioned that CARL MARZANI was in his, ALLAN'S, office at that time.

May 3, 1947:

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CARL GREEN talked to ERNA and ALLAN ROSENBERG. The conversation was of a personal nature and chiefly centered around DAVID GINSBURG. GREEN had met GINSBURG at a dinner at EMMA GILBERT'S home on the previous evening and was quite interested in him. ALLAN commented that the only trouble with GINSBURG is that he does not like Jews. ALLAN also mentioned that GINSBURG used to be Secretary to DOUGLAS and it was also mentioned that he was General Consul for OPA.

DAVID REIN attempted to contact ALLAN ROSENBERG at his home and ERNA referred him to ALLAN'S office.

May 4, 1947:

CARL GREEN contacted ALLAN and ERNA ROSENBERG and they discussed MARY JANE KEENEY and her illness. GREEN mentioned that THEO ATHANASSOV had seen MARY JANE and mentioned that BOWEN SMITH was the person who had told him about MARY JANE'S illness.

In a conversation between EMILY SHARFMAN and ERNA ROSENBERG, ERNA mentioned that ALLAN was going to New York at 1:00 the next morning and commented that she supposed it was on the "CARL MARZANI thing". It will be recalled that ROSENBERG has been very active in assisting MARZANI in the preparation of his case.

May 5, 1947:

ALLAN ROSENBERG talked to ERNA from Union Station and mentioned that he would be home as soon as he took CHARLIE FLATO, whom he met on the train, home.

MARY JANE KEENEY talked to ERNA ROSENBERG and mentioned that she had been violently ill with intestinal flu. The two women engaged in general conversation for a few moments and then MARY JANE asked for ALLAN and was told that he was on his way home at the present time. MARY JANE indicated she would contact him the following day.

May 6, 1947:

EDITH SALANT talked to ERNA ROSENBERG and they discussed the need of the ROSENBERG'S for a new home. It will be noted that the current ROSENBERG residence has been sold and the ROSENBERG'S are endeavoring to secure housing. EDITH wanted to interest ERNA ROSENBERG in a home owned by a negro woman whose husband died a few months ago. The address of this residence is 1211 Lawrence St., N.E.

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Street, N. E. EDITH described the house in detail but ERNA was not interested.

May 9, 1947:

CARL GREEN contacted ERNA ROSENBERG and they spoke briefly about MARY JANE KEENEY'S physical condition. The conversation then turned to ANGUS KEENEY, MARY JANE'S husband. CARL inquired whether he had returned to the United States yet and when told by ERNA that he had not but would be in several weeks, GREEN commented "Well boy I'm ready to fight on that". ERNA promptly agreed with CARL and he continued saying, "Yeah, look at the business yesterday, the day before yesterday with that poor little woman," (probably SHURA LEWIS). Both CARL and ERNA agreed that it was a disgraceful affair.

May 12, 1947:

CARL MARZANI talked to ERNA ROSENBERG and indicated he wanted to speak to ALLAN. ERNA mentioned that ALLAN was sleeping because he worked all of the previous night. It was agreed that CARL would see ALLAN a bit later since CARL explained that he wished to bring ROSENBERG "uptodate". It was obviously his trial which is currently in progress that he was referring to. CARL and ERNA discussed the forthcoming trial in detail and CARL told ERNA that there would be eight or nine negroes on the jury. He seemed to feel that this was rather fortunate. He also mentioned that there was one or two trade unionists, a couple of housewives and an unemployed person on the jury. CARL felt that the jury, generally speaking, was "not bad". The conversation was concluded by ERNA wishing CARL good luck.

May 13, 1947:

CARL MARZANI had a lengthy conversation with ALLAN ROSENBERG. They discussed the proceedings at the trial for the first day in detail. Most of the conversation was a recapitulation of what actually occurred at the trial and which was reported in the Washington newspapers. It is rather interesting to note, however, that in talking about JOE PANUCH, formerly administrative assistant to DONALD RUSSEL of the State Department, MARZANI mentioned that he had addressed JOE PANUCH as follows: "You know JOE I'm not a spy. I don't sell secrets. I don't even let them leak out to DREW PEARSON and WALTER WINCHELL the way J. EDGAR HOOVER does". MARZANI thought that this was a good crack and mentioned that it was in the record. MARZANI commented that he felt the jury was a little bit sympathetic. He also commented that the Government at this particular point was not as powerful as it should have been.



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The details of this lengthy conversation between MARZANI and ROSENBERG will not be set forth in view of the fact that the two men chiefly discussed merely what actually took place during the first day of the trial, all of which has been reported by the press.

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May 14, 1947:

CARL MARZANI talked to ALLAN ROSENBERG about his case which is currently in progress. CARL mentioned that he had received a very fine phone call from a man who is a member of the Civil Service Commission in New York City. This man told MARZANI that CORSEY (phonetic) is extremely interested and wants to help and that Mr. ROSELL (phonetic) who is the head of the Civil Service in New York also wants to be of assistance. ROSENBERG was much pleased to hear this. MARZANI also mentioned that he understood [REDACTED] was going to talk about him over the radio.

On this same date ALLAN ROSENBERG talked to ELIZABETH SASULY. ELIZABETH commented that she would come down to see ALLAN at his office during the afternoon about 5:00 PM to ask him a couple of questions for DICK (SASULY) and would relay the answers to DICK by letter. ROSENBERG commented that he was going to be at the MARZANI trial until 4:30 PM and added that it would be a long trial.

May 15, 1947:

WARREN SHARFMAN talked briefly to ALLAN ROSENBERG and during the conversation ALLAN mentioned that he had been at FORD'S working until 2:00 AM this morning. FORD is undoubtedly identical with CHARLES FORD who is the Attorney for CARL MARZANI. ROSENBERG gives every indication of being extremely interested in the MARZANI case and doing all possible to assist in MARZANI'S defense.

#### PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

During the period covered by this report, it has been noted that ROSENBERG has been quite busy with his law practice. He is mentioned previously in this report as also greatly interested in the CARL MARZANI trial which is currently in progress.

On April 25, 1947, in connection with a surveillance of DAVID R. WAHL, which was conducted by Agents L. W. R. OBERNDORF, K. R. CORBETT and WILLIAM H. MAHR, WAHL was observed leaving ROSENBERG'S office, 1822 Jefferson Place, N. W. at 11:12 AM. It is to be

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noted that ~~Confidential~~ information had been received previously that reflected that WAHL had telephonically contacted ROSENBERG and stated that he wished to see him very soon. The two men agreed that WAHL would come to ROSENBERG'S office at 10:30 AM on that date, April 25. Due to the short notice involved, it was not possible to see WAHL enter ROSENBERG'S office but, as mentioned above, he was seen leaving ROSENBERG'S office. It is also noted that after he left ROSENBERG'S office he met JOE ~~WILMAN~~ at 11:30 AM and the two men had lunch at Scott's Cafeteria on G Street. *(X)u*

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This report covers the activities of the subject for the period ending May 21, 1947.

A mail cover maintained on the residence of the subject during the period of this report produced the following results:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Postmark</u>
State of California Franchise Tax Commissioner Sacramento, California	N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER	5/22/47
<del>PAULINE</del> WOOG 825 Broderan San Francisco	HELEN SILVERMASTER	5/22/47
<del>A.</del> SILVERMASTER 335 East 58th Street Los Angeles, California	HELEN SILVERMASTER	5/22/47
<del>HAROLD D.</del> CULLEN 1712 17th Street, N. W. Washington, D. C.	N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER	5/23/47

On May 27, 1947, the Post Office Department was advised that N. GREGORY and HELEN SILVERMASTER had referred to them a permanent change of address from 5515 30th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., to Harvey Cedars, New Jersey.

The Newark Field Office advised NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, HELEN SILVERMASTER, and WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN arrived in Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, about June 1, 1947, and are presently residing in a house owned by ALEXANDER PORTNOFF on the northeast corner of 84th Street and Ocean Avenue, Harvey Cedars. PORTNOFF himself resided in a house located on the beach front of 84th Street and Ocean Avenue which is considered the beach house. The SILVERMASTERS and ULLMANN are planning to build a residence in the township of Harvey Cedars a short distance from where they are presently living.

The following information was obtained from [REDACTED] <sup>b2 b7D</sup> regarding the activities of the subject for the period ending May 31, 1947.

On April 16, 1947, informant advised JOSEPH GILLMAN was a visitor at the SILVERMASTER residence on the morning of that date.

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On April 17, 1947, MILADA MARSALKA advised HELEN SILVERMASTER she had resigned her position effective May 2, 1947.

On April 20, 1947, GERTRUDE WEBER and her husband PALMER WEBER were guests at the SILVERMASTER residence. Informant also acquired the information that the PALMER WEBERS have secured an apartment at 17th and Columbia Road and would be living here permanently.

On April 21, 1947, an individual identified by the informant as LEONA GERBER and who was determined to be CARL GERBER's wife, invited HELEN SILVERMASTER to attend the Congress of American Women meeting at Pierce Hall on the following night. It was apparent to informant that they found a mutual friend in GERTRUDE RODMAN whom LEONA GERBER had recently seen at a stockholders' meeting of the Metropolitan Broadcasting Company.

On April 23, 1947, MILADA MARSALKA and MARY JANE KEENEY were both guests at the SILVERMASTER residence.

On the same date informant advised JACK KAUFMAN contacted GREGORY SILVERMASTER. They attempted to make a luncheon engagement but when JACK advised he was seeing HILDEGARD KNEELAND, GREGORY indicated he did not care to meet JACK KAUFMAN if HILDEGARD KNEELAND would be present.

On April 28, 1947, JENNY MILLER, wife of ROBERT MILLER, was in contact with HELEN SILVERMASTER, and they agreed to meet later on in the day.

On April 29, 1947, HERMAN KLOTZ was a guest at the SILVERMASTER residence from where he advised his wife HENRIETTA KLOTZ, 19 East 88th Street, New York City, that he would return to New York on the following day.

On May 7, 1947, informant advised MILDRED BRADY, wife of ROBERT BRADY, was in contact with HELEN SILVERMASTER. The BRADYS are presently living in Berkeley, California, and intended to go to England possibly the following February for an extended visit. ROBERT BRADY is presently teaching at the University of California. HELEN and MILDRED discussed briefly DOROTHY TAYLOR, wife of subject WILLIAM TAYLOR, and HARRY WHITE and the fact that he recently resigned from the Monetary World Bank. HELEN SILVERMASTER indicated she has not seen the TAYLORS or the WHITES for sometime.

On May 10, 1947, POLY HICHT contacted HELEN SILVERMASTER and they discussed briefly the publicity SHERRA LEWIS received regarding her speech at Western High School.

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On May 21, 1947, POLYA HABICHT advised HELEN SILVERMASTER DAVID REIN, the attorney LUDWIG ULLMANN had recommended to her to represent her in the divorce proceedings her husband HERMAN HABICHT had instituted against her, would be unable to accept her case and he was unable to recommend anyone else.

On May 26, 1947, informant advised HELEN SILVERMASTER had stated they would be relinquishing the residence at 5515 30th Street, N. W., on the following Wednesday, and that their new address would be Harvey Cedars, New Jersey.

On the same date GREGORY SILVERMASTER advised JACK KAUFMAN they would expect to be there for at least a year.

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[Re: H. BOWEN SMITH] *fern* *Curry*

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent CHARLES D. CHAPMAN.

The following information concerning the activities of the above mentioned subject, for the period April 13 to May 15, 1947, was furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted] unless otherwise indicated. *b2 b7D*

On April 17, 1947, BOWEN SMITH was in communication with MARY JANE HENRY during which time they discussed in great detail her present difficulties in securing of a passport.

During the conversation, BOWEN asked MARY JANE if she would be on hand tomorrow night for the square dance. She stated that she will try to do so; that she is having dinner tomorrow night with JAY ROBINSON and intended to propose that the whole gang come out there (to the dance). BOWEN stated that FRED WOODWARD is bringing a big crowd. He said that CLAYTON, his wife, is getting very encouraging results with her project and that it is "expanding out all over the place".

On the same date, Confidential Informant [redacted] *mb10* advised of a conversation between CLAYTON SMITH and JENNY MILLER, at which time CLAYTON inquired as to whether or not JENNY and BOB are coming to the square dance tomorrow night. JENNY said that BOB's parents are arriving from Florida for the week-end. JENNY stated that she had originally planned to attend with RUTH SWIGER. She said that she may be able to induce BOB's parents to attend the dance if they are not too tired. *du*

On April 18, 1947, during a conversation between MARY JANE HENRY and DAVID LEE, concerning her passport difficulties, DAVID suggested that MARY JANE call BOWEN and get him to tell her about his conversation with Mrs. SNIPLIN and to take notes so that she, MARY JANE, could make a transcript. MARY JANE said that she would rather go over there and type the transcript herself so that BOWEN could sign it. She said that if she could get a transcript out of BOWEN, that she might give it to them (the Senators).

Subsequently, MARY JANE communicated with BOWEN SMITH and received a short report on the conversation between BOWEN and Mrs. SNIPLIN. BOWEN said that when he finished his conversation and walked into his living room his face must have reflected his emotions since CLAYTON was shocked when she looked at him. He said that he was so angry, he could not even talk to CLAYTON; so angry that all he could do was sit and curse and utter obscenity. He then went into great detail in explaining to MARY JANE the conversation which took place between him and Mrs. SNIPLIN. MARY JANE said she thought it would be very valuable if BOWEN would make a transcript of his conversation with Mrs. SNIPLIN. She said DAVID suggested it and offered that BOWEN could dictate it over the phone to LILA, DAVID's secretary. MARY JANE stated that she wants to give this transcript to the Senators to keep them fully advised.



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~~SECRET~~ BOWEN stated that he is willing to identify himself and bring in his government connections. MARY JANE stated she was tied up for the morning but that she could meet BOWEN this afternoon. BOWEN thereupon replied that his typing had improved and that he would type the manuscript for her. They arranged that MARY JANE will call before she comes to BOWEN's house this afternoon, which they agreed should be around 3:00 p.m. BOWEN then stated he has to go to Pierce Hall to help set up "that business for CLAYTON". He concluded by saying that WIM ASCENSON (ph) and SYLVIA WOREMAN (ph) just dropped in on him.

Later, on this same date, BOWEN again contacted MARY JANE to advise that he had started in on the transcript and that he wanted to put a preparatory note at the start, explaining his knowledge of MARY JANE and ALBUS and that he wanted to check on certain dates. He then made inquiry as to the time of her arrival in Washington, D. C., the time she came under his supervision at F.O.I., and the periods of time during which she made her mission to Germany.

Still later, on this same date, BOWEN again contacted MARY JANE, advising that he had just about finished the transcript. He said there was one thing he wanted to check and that was if he should put a statement at the end that he was very much surprised and disturbed by this procedure. MARY JANE replied that she thought this would be extremely valuable.

On April 22, 1947, MARY JANE FERRY had a conversation with ALEX RUTHER, at which time she told ALEX that nothing happened Friday except that she had the report from BOWEN SMITH on his conversation with the lady. She told ALEX about BOWEN typing a transcript of his conversation and of her distributing it to the Senators. ALEX then asked if BOWEN was the "Party guy". MARY JANE said she did not know what ALEX meant and ALEX then said "The guy that DAVE saw". MARY JANE said "No", that DAVE had spoken to BOWEN in the morning and had relayed the information to the "Party guy" and that there was no report from him before they left.

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On April 25, 1947, BOETT STIFF communicated with MARY JANE KERNY at which time they agreed that the square dance was swell and BOETT stated that it grossed about \$500.00; that they then had a musicale and received about \$125.00 and then at a cocktail party they got \$100.00; that CLAYTON had arranged an interview with FRANK GRVASI (ph) and also JAMES McDONALD (ph), who wants to do a piece in the "New Republic"; and so that all in all, it looks very good. BOETT continued that they had two radio programs last week-end on WDC and WDC.

MARY JANE then inquired how the over-all campaign was going and whether the quota was in sight. BOETT said that the quota was by no means in sight but that they figured high in the beginning, figuring that if they asked for a lot, they might get what they had figured on. BOETT continued that ZYLVA was quite impressed as was EILIS MORTON and that "we will now have one very direct letter to about three thousand people, which will get something and that there are still some outstanding gifts."

BOETT stated that on the night ZYLVA was out, at WDC, she was on the ~~TO LINSCH-TCDD~~ Inter-Racial program and on the same program was ~~DELFORD LAUSCH~~, whose wife is "on the Committee". He stated further that that night his fraternity was awarding cash prizes to people furthering inter-racial relations and he stated: "If I had only known, I could have seen that my fraternity would have awarded one to the Highlanders" (Highlanders Folk School). BOETT continued that the president of the fraternity said there was no reason why the fraternity should not give some money to the Folk School and was quite excited about the whole business; also that he wanted to have a series of parties at his house and at other prominent negro houses, to raise money. BOETT said that GRVASI (ph) was quite interested in the Highlander Folk School and wanted to go down there, which will be good. He went on to state that GRVASI is very bitter about his magazine, "Collier's", because even though they pay him, they refuse to publish anything; he writes and he thinks he will get out of the country because they might publish his stuff if he wrote it in Italy.

BOETT then asked MARY JANE about her situation and she replied that it was quite discouraging.

BOETT said he went to one of the parties at the SPINGARD's (ph); that Senator TAYLOR was there and that JERRY SPINGARD is his, the Senator's, secretary. BOETT said that he took the liberty of talking to TAYLOR about MARY JANE's situation but that he could not get an awful lot of sense out of him; that he was in a grim, hysterical mood. BOETT continued: "Well, he is a pretty weird dish. He was very sympathetic but I did not want to ask him to do anything until I had talked with you. I told him the whole situation and he was curious but he was in this kind of a mood - 'Oh well, we are all going to be in jail anyhow'".

MARY JANE commented that there was far too much of that and on the

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part of people who know better than that, which is one of the things that discourages her the most. BOEY said that TAYLOR was shaking his head and wringing his hands, to which MARY JANE replied: "This is no time to shake your head". BOEY then went on to state that he had talked to EVELYN COOPER about this because he has a great deal of respect for her as a person and he wanted to get her legal views and because she had had such a lousy time getting out to join her husband. He then went on to relate to MARY JANE the result of his conversation with EVELYN.

They then discussed in detail MARY JANE's situation and the results of the conversation with Mrs. SHIPLEY. BOEY then asked MARY JANE if she saw the list of names of new officers of the ADI (Americans for Democratic Action). BOEY said that it was in yesterday's POST. MARY JANE said that she had not seen it but that she would look at it.

He then inquired if she had any further news from JAMES and she replied that she had several letters showing he is back in his stride. They agreed that the situation is very tough on him. MARY JANE concluded by stating that she might call EVELYN now to make a luncheon appointment for Monday, and BOEY requested that she let him know what happens.

On May 1, 1947, Confidential Informant b2 b7D advised of a conversation which occurred between CARL GREEN and HENRY ROSE MORG, during which conversation the illness of MARY JANE KEENEY was discussed. CARL said he had received a report of MARY JANE's illness from BOEY SMITH. He stated he was at the SMITH's last night for a couple of hours and that GERTRUDE (MORRIS) and the DAREYS were there. CARL stated that GERTRUDE was telling about Japan. BOEY stated "Well, they are all interested in that - well, I don't think the DAREYS are, but BOEY."

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A mail cover maintained on the residence of WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN produced the following results:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Postmark</u>
L. LEONARD 5 Chemindes Gandonne Seine et Oise	WILLIAM L. ULLMANN	Paris 4/6/47

On May 28, 1947, the Post Office was advised that WILLIAM L. ULLMANN had notified them of a change of address from 5515 30th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., to Harvey Cedars, New Jersey, as a permanent change.

Confidential informant [redacted] advised he had observed a communication which WILLIAM L. ULLMANN received from his sister FRANCES DEARMAND, 318 East 93rd Street, New York, New York, in which communication Mrs. DeARMAND indicated she had received ULLMANN's very disturbing letter, disturbing because of the intrusion on civil liberties, the humiliation, and the implications in a free country. She further stated it was all fantastic but she was very glad that ULLMANN had written to her about it and requested that she be kept informed.

She indicated it was a shame just when ULLMANN was about to be free of the burden of official responsibilities that he had to be caught in the postwar hysteria, when he had made such a fine contribution to the war effort. Informant believes subject ULLMANN wrote his sister with reference to the interviews had with him by agents of the Washington Field Office in which ULLMANN was afforded an opportunity to refute certain allegations of the informant in this case.

[redacted] advised ULLMANN and the SILVERMASTERS had disposed of their residence at 5515 30th Street, N. W., and left Washington, D. C., May 29, 1947.

The Newark Field Office advised ULLMANN and the SILVERMASTERS are presently residing in a house owned by ALEXANDER PORTNOFF on the northeast corner of 84th Street and Ocean Avenue, Harvey Cedars, New Jersey. PORTNOFF himself resides in a house located on the beach front of 84th Street and Ocean Avenue which is considered the beach house. The SILVERMASTERS and ULLMANN plan to build a residence in the township of Harvey Cedars a short distance from where they are presently living.

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCES

On March 16, as a result of a physical surveillance conducted by Special Agent GEORGE A. VAN NOY, which began at Union Station at 12:45 p.m.; the following observations were made.

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At 3:15 p. m., WAHL was observed talking to an unidentified man (this individual later identified as HENRY BLACK with the Jefferson School of Science of New York). Part of their conversation was overheard by the surveilling agent and referred to library work. BLACK mentioned that he had met ANGUS KEENEY in San Francisco and they talked generally about some project and there was mention of raising money. The name WALTON was mentioned and WAHL appeared to know WALTON. WAHL said: "I haven't been to Moscow....." The remainder of this sentence could not be overheard.

At 3:52 p.m., the individuals parted and WAHL boarded the first section of the Congressional Limited to New York. Agents J. M. GARLAND and W. R. CORNELISON surveilled WAHL to New York. The surveilling Agents described BLACK as follows:

Age:	50-55
Height:	6'
Weight:	185-190
Hair:	Gray-Black, bald in front
Complexion:	Medium
Forehead:	Wide and slightly protruding
Glasses:	None
Remarks:	Clean shaven
	Sunken mouth as if teeth are missing
	Speaks haltingly and indistinct as if due to partial paralysis or lack of teeth
	Walks slowly and jerkily as if victim of paralysis
	Right hand appears stiff or paralyzed and right index finger stiff

In connection with the surveillance by Agents GARLAND and CORNELISON, at 8:10 p.m., WAHL arrived in New York City, where the surveillance was turned over to agents of the New York Office.

On March 19, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents HAROLD W. BRUEGGEMAN, THOMAS F. SIMPSON, KENNERLY R. CORBETT and EARL L. FUOSS. Surveillance was instituted at 11 a.m.

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at WAHL's office, 1706 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. At 12:05 VLADIMIR HOUDEK, First Secretary, Czechoslovakian Embassy, entered WAHL's office and departed at 12:20. At 12:30 WAHL walked to the Good Earth restaurant, 1609 K Street, N. W., where he had lunch with M. S. VAVILOV, First Secretary of the Russian Embassy. At 2:15 VAVILOV and WAHL departed from the restaurant where they separated and WAHL proceeded in the direction of his office. [REDACTED] (S) b1

2:30 p.m. WAHL, while en route to his office, met an unidentified man at 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, where they entered into a conversation lasting for fifteen minutes. WAHL then returned to his office and the unidentified man walked to 1742 K Street, to the office of ALBERT TAYLOR CO., where he entered, took off his coat and hat, and indicated that he apparently was employed at this company. Previous to entering his office, he chatted with a woman who was in a car parked in front of the office. The license number of this car is D.C. 59-918, and is listed to SARAH SEIGAL, 725 Rittenhouse Avenue, Washington, D. C. The man was described as 6'1", sandy hair, bald in back, hooked nose, thick glasses, brown clothing, and weighing 180 pounds.

At 2:50 p.m., WAHL and a woman identified as PENNY PIERCE, surveilled by Agents BRUEGGELAN and SILPSON, walked to the Statler Hotel, where they attempted to make reservations for a Jewish group which would hold a large meeting over Labor Day. At 4 p.m., WAHL was still at the Statler and the surveillance was discontinued.

On March 20, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents KENNERLY R. CORBETT and WILLIAM H. LARR. At 12:12 p.m., WAHL was observed entering the Washington Book Shop, 900 block of 17th Street, N. W. [REDACTED] b1 (S)(C)

At 2:20 p.m., WAHL was observed walking south on 17th Street, under surveillance of Special Agents COURTLAND J. JONES and H. DUDLEY PAYNE (WAHL was not observed to leave the Washington Book Shop by the front door). [REDACTED] b1 (S)(C)

On this same date, at 12:35 (apparently after leaving Washington Book Shop), WAHL entered the lobby of the Mayflower Hotel and joined JOE BERGER. This meeting was observed by Special Agents DUDLEY PAYNE and C. J. JONES. WAHL and BERGER immediately walked [REDACTED] b1 (S)(C)

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across the street and entered Fan & Bill's restaurant. At 2:10 p.m. WAHL and BERGER left the restaurant and after several minutes of conversation, they parted, WAHL returning to his office. JOE BERGER is described as follows:

Race:	White
Age:	Early 50's
Height:	5'8"
Weight:	135
Build:	Thin, long thin legs
Hair:	Gray-Brown, thick and slightly wavy
Peculiarities:	Stoop shoulders
Dress:	Peg-leg pants Bow necktie
Occupation:	National Democratic Headquarters, Mayflower Hotel

On March 21, a physical surveillance conducted by Special Agents CHARLES D. CHAPMAN and EARL L. FUOSS at WAHL's office, 1706 G Street, N. W., revealed the following.

At 12 noon, JOE GILLMAN was observed entering WAHL's office. At 12:31, GILLMAN and WAHL departed from the office and separated at 728 17th Street, WAHL going in 728 17th Street and GILLMAN entering the Graystone Restaurant at 730 17th Street. The surveillance of GILLMAN was turned over to Special Agents PAYNE, BRENT and JONES. The residence at 728 17th Street appears to be a remodeled residence made into offices and from literature observed there, appears to be a C.I.O. labor organization.

At 12:50, WAHL departed 728 17th Street and walked to the Roger Smith Hotel, where he met RAY PINKSON. At 12:55, PINKSON introduced WAHL to ARTHUR SILVERMAN, who had just entered the lobby and all three had lunch in the Roger Smith dining room. At 2 p.m. the three departed from the Roger Smith and walked to 17th and G Street, where they parted. PINKSON entered the Passport Division of the State Department, 17th and F Streets, WAHL entered his office, 1706 G Street, and ARTHUR SILVERMAN boarded a streetcar at 17th and Pennsylvania and departed from the streetcar at 4th and Independence Avenue and entered the OPA Building.

At 2:30, WAHL and a person believed to be LAL HOBBS, left WAHL's office with WAHL and walked to 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, where they parted. HOBBS appears to be a gentile, 5'8" tall, 180 pounds, approximately 35 years of age.

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At 17th and G, WAHL met a man believed to be BEN SACHS and they walked to the restaurant at 1712 Pennsylvania Avenue, where they ordered coffee. At 3:25, SACHS and WAHL left the restaurant and parted at 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, WAHL entering his office and SACHS entering the office at 1420 New York Avenue, N. W. - Evans Building. SACHS is described as:

Height:	5'11"
Weight:	190
Nationality:	Appears to be Jewish
Age:	Early 30's
Characteristics:	Prominent chin

PINKSON is described as:

Age:	Late 30's
Height:	5'9"
Weight:	155
Glasses:	Rimmed glasses
Hair:	Bald, front and back of head
Characteristics:	Small mustache (Hitler type)
Speech:	Jewish accent
Face:	Sharp face

ARTHUR SILVERMAN is described as:

Age:	Early 40's
Height:	5'11"
Weight:	185
Build:	Heavy set
Glasses:	Rimmed glasses
Hair:	Bald in back of head

On March 25, surveillance was conducted by Special Agents MARR and BRENT.

At 12:43 p.m., an individual believed to be ROBERT ZIMLER entered the Chicken Hut restaurant on 11th Street, N. W. At 12:50 WAHL was observed to enter the restaurant. It had previously been confidentially ascertained that WAHL and ZIMLER would meet for lunch at the Chicken Hut. At 2:07 p.m., ZIMLER and WAHL departed from the Chicken Hut and separated at 12th and Pennsylvania Avenue. ZIMLER entered the new Post Office Building and was observed to enter Room 2209, the FCC office listed to J. FRED JOHNSON, Law Department. Agent MARR heard WAHL remark to ZIMLER as they parted: "See you next Friday." WAHL departed in a cab.

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Age:	Early 30's
Height:	5'7"
Weight:	175-180
Hair:	Dark brown or black
Mustache:	Dark
Build:	Pudgy
Characteristics:	Typical Jewish appearance Dark beard, Rough skin

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On April 1, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents SIMPSON and CHAPMAN at 1706 T Street, N. W.

At 12:58 p.m., BEN SACHS entered WAHL's office and immediately SACHS and WAHL returned and walked to Jack Hunt's Raw Bar, 1743 $\frac{1}{2}$  Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. At 2:10 p.m., WAHL and SACHS departed from the restaurant and walked to 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., where they separated. SACHS returned to his office at 1420 New York Avenue, N. W., and WAHL returned to his office at 1706 G Street, N. W.

On April 2, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents CORBETT and LUDWIG W. R. OBERNDORF.

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On April 3, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents CORNELISON and CHAPMAN.

At 1:05 p.m., Agents observed WAHL, HERB SCHITTEL and HERMAN EDELSBERG meet in the lobby of the Roger Smith Hotel. At 1:15 p.m., MARTIN POPPER joined these three individuals and all four walked to the Chicken Hut restaurant at 1718 H Street, N. W.

At 2:25 WAHL and EDELSBERG left and went to 1722 H Street, which is the Kramer Book Shop. At 2:30, WAHL and EDELSBERG left the Book Shop and EDELSBERG entered the Baronet on the corner of 18th and H Streets, and WAHL returned to his office. At 2:50 p.m., EDELSBERG walked to 17th and G Streets, where he was joined by WAHL and they walked and conversed to 17th and H Streets, where EDELSBERG boarded the Lincoln Park streetcar. WAHL walked to 1744 K Street, which is the office of JOE FANELLI.

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On April 7, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agent CHAPMAN.

WAHL was observed at 12:35 to enter Jack Hunt's Raw Bar, 1700 block of Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. At 1:20 p.m., WAHL and a man believed to be JEFF LEWIS, of the State Department, left the restaurant and walked to 17th and G Streets, where they separated.

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On April 8, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents CHAPMAN and FUOSS.

At 11 a.m., WAHL was observed to leave his office, get a cab and go to the Senate Office Building. WAHL departed the taxi and entered Room 303, Office of Banking and Currency Committee. After five minutes, he departed from Room 303 and walked to Room 250, next to Senator PEPPER's office. After five minutes, he walked to the Senate Dining Room and ate his lunch, apparently expecting to meet somebody there. At 11:35, he was joined by HERMAN EDELSBERG and they both left the Senate Office Building, took a taxi, and proceeded to Union Station, where EDELSBERG departed and WAHL continued to his office. At 12:10 p.m., surveillance was discontinued at WAHL's office and the agents took up surveillance at the National Airport, where it had been determined that WAHL would depart on Flight 602 of Eastern Airlines for New York, leaving at 12:55. At 12:50, WAHL boarded Plane 708, Flight 602, for New York, the plane departing at approximately 12:55. The surveillance was discontinued.

On April 16, a surveillance was conducted by Special Agents SILPSON and CHAPMAN.

At 12:55, WAHL was observed departing from his office and walked to the Roger Smith Hotel. At 1 p.m., WAHL met two men in the lobby, the two men believed to be RAY PINKSON and ARTHUR SILVERMAN. The three men walked to Jack Hunt's Raw Bar, where they had lunch. At 1:55 p.m., the three departed from the restaurant and separated. SILVERMAN caught a Takoma Park streetcar to the end of Virginia Avenue and entered the Navy Building at Constitution Avenue. PINKSON went to a parking lot at 19th and I, entering a car bearing D. C. license 144617, and drove North on 19th Street. This car was registered to RAY PINKSON, 316 Peabody Street, N. W.

On April 18, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents CHAPMAN and FUOSS.

At 3:30 p.m., WAHL was observed to depart from his office at 1706 G Street and walk to the White House entrance on West Executive Avenue, and enter. He returned two minutes later with an envelope and went to his office.

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On April 25, a physical surveillance was conducted by Special Agents OBERNDORF, CORBETT and MARR. The surveillance was instituted at 10:30 a.m. at the office of ALLAN ROSENBERG, 1822 Jefferson Street, N.W.

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At 11:12 a.m., DAVE WAHL was observed leaving ROSENBERG's office. He walked South on Connecticut Avenue and constantly looked back over his shoulder and from his manner it appeared that he was endeavoring to determine if he were being surveilled. He arrived at his office at 11:20 A. M. At 11:30 WAHL and JOE GILLMAN departed from WAHL's office and walked to Scott's cafeteria on the North side of G Street, where they had lunch. At 11:55, the surveillance was discontinued.

On March 29, a physical surveillance was conducted by Agents OBERNDORF and C. J. JONES.

At 5:29 p.m., MARY JANE KEENEY was observed to leave her residence at 215 B Street, N. E. She drove her car to 2231 California Street, to the residence of ALEX REUTHER. At 8:40 p.m., MARY JANE and ALEX REUTHER drove away. Surveilling agents then instituted a surveillance at the residence of DAVE WAHL, 3 Lexington Street, Kensington, Maryland, at 9:15 p. m. It was observed that the car of NATHAN G. SILVERMASTER, D. C. license 105-064, was parked in front of WAHL's house, also the car of LAWRENCE TODD, Maryland license 549-939. It was observed parked beside WAHL's house. At 9:20 p.m., M. S. VAVILOV, with woman companion, was observed to drive up in his car bearing license DPL-726. He parked and he and his companion entered the WAHL residence. At 9:25, MARY JANE KEENEY drove up with her car and she and ALEX REUTHER, HARRIETT SIMONS and Mrs. ATHANASSOV left the car and entered the WAHL residence. At 9:30, CHET and CONNIE SINCLAIR drove up in their car, Maryland license 673-922, parked and entered the WAHL residence, after walking up and down the various streets as if to determine if there was a surveillance on the WAHL house.

At 11:42 p.m., the SINCLAIRS left WAHL's residence and walked for about three blocks, circled back, and entered their car and drove away. At 12:20 a.m., LARRY and DOROTHY TODD departed from the WAHL residence. At 12:40, VAVILOV and woman departed. At 12:45, Mr. and Mrs. SILVERMASTER and LUD GILLMAN departed from the WAHL residence. At 1:05 a.m., MARY JANE KEENEY, HARRIETT SIMONS, ALEX REUTHER and Mrs. ATHANASSOV departed from the WAHL residence. The Agents then surveilled MARY JANE KEENEY and her companions to their various residences.

On April 4, a physical surveillance was conducted by CORNELISON and C. G. CLEVELAND.

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At 9:20 a. m., MARY JANE KEENEY left her apartment, boarded the streetcar at 1st and C Streets, N. E., and departed from the car at 17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W., and proceeded to DAVE WAHL's office at 9:45 a.m. At 10:05 a.m., WAHL was observed to depart from his office and enter the office of HERB FIERST in the State Department Building. At 10:30 WAHL returned to his office. At 11:40, MARY JANE KEENEY left WAHL's office. The surveillance was discontinued.

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On April 7, Special Agents OBERNDORF and JONES observed MARY JANE KEENEY at 11:05 a.m. enter DAVE WAHL's office, 1706 G Street, N. W. At 12:10 p.m., MARY JANE KEENEY and DAVE left the office and separated. At 12:30 p.m., MARY JANE met BERNARD NORTON in front of the State Department building, where they proceeded to a restaurant at 17th and K Streets, N. W.

On April 9, Special Agents GARLAND and JONES at 2:40 p.m. observed MARY JANE leave her residence, 215 B Street, N. E., board a streetcar and depart at 17th and H Streets, N. W., where they walked to the Passport Division of the State Department. At 3:32 p.m., MARY JANE left the Passport Division and went to the office of DAVE WAHL. At 3:55, MARY JANE left WAHL's office, mailed a letter, and walked to the office of ALLAN ROSENBERG, 1822 Jefferson Place, N. W.

On April 26, Special Agent C. J. JONES at 9:30 p. m. observed MARY JANE and CARL GREEN proceed to the Westchester Apartments on N Street and enter the apartment of HARRIETT SIMONS. Automobiles belonging to DAVE WAHL and CHET SINCLAIR were observed in the neighborhood but it was not definitely determined that they were at the SIMONS residence.

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Reference is made to WAHL's trip to New York over March 17 and 18. The New York Office advised by teletype that while in New York on March 17 and 18, 1947, DAVE WAHL attended the meeting of the ~~American Jewish Conference~~ and was at the office of the ~~American Jewish Committee~~. He was observed in the company of PHILIP DUNAWAY and MAURICE HALPERIN. He departed New York City for Washington, D. C. via Pennsylvania Railroad at 6:30 P.M. on March 18, 1947.

Reference is made to an individual by the name of RAYMOND referred to in a conversation of WAHL on March 21, 1947. The RAYMOND referred to is RICHARD C. RAYMOND, advisor on refugees and displaced persons, State Department, 1818 H Street, N. W., Room 825.

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Reference is made to Lrs. CATHERINE MARGARET BRAZIL  
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Reference is made to ELLA SHALIT, who is at present employed as WAHL's secretary at the American Jewish Conference, 1706 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

The following information was obtained by Special Agent CHARLES D. CHAPMAN:

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Reference is made to the report entitled "ROBERT TALBERT MILLER, III, HATCH ACT", dated November 17, 1944 at Washington, D. C. by Special Agent HOWARD B. PATTERSON. On Page 1 of the above-mentioned report Confidential Informant [REDACTED] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that he had learned from Mrs. MILLER that DOROTHY HALPERIN had returned from New York City and had established herself in her job with the Russian Information Bulletin, 3031 Gates Road, N. W. HALPERIN was going to talk over MARIAN AINSLEE's job of editing the Russian Information Bulletin. (S) h

The report also indicated that the subject, MILLER, and his wife were in contact with PAUL and HILDA KOHN, whom they referred to as refugee friends they had met in Paris. PAUL and HILDA KOHN have been known to be contacts of DAVE WAHL. (S) h

In connection with the above reference to the Russian Information Bulletin, the LFO indices reflect a conversation on October 25, 1944 between DOROTHY HALPERIN and Mrs. ROBERT MILLER wherein DOROTHY stated that she was working with the Russian Information Bulletin which used to be housed with the Russian Embassy but at that time was located on Gates Road, two blocks east of Connecticut Avenue. DOROTHY said that there are some secretaries, the Russian editor, and the business manager there and that she works with MARIAN AINSLEE whom she knew before she came down from New York. She stated that MARIAN knows some Russian. (S) h

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In a letter dated April 15, 1947 from the Baltimore Office the following information was set forth relative to WAHL's car:

The records of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for the State of Maryland reflect that Chrysler Sedan, Motor No. C25-40800, was originally titled on May 16, 1940 to one ROBERT F. BELL, 98 McKinley Drive, Hyattsville, Maryland. The title of this car was transferred on September 19, 1941 to DAVID RALPH WAHL and in August, 1946 this car was turned over by WAHL to the Mount Rose Garage at Rockville, Maryland by whom it was junked. On August 23, 1946 the same DAVID RALPH WAHL obtained from the Mount Rose Garage at Rockville, Maryland a new Chrysler, Motor No. DVT-14975 DC.

A check of the indices of the Baltimore Office reflects only one reference to ROBERT BELL which is in the case entitled ROBERT FLOYD BELL, WAR RISK INSURANCE, in which case the Washington Field Office was origin.

A check of the Washington Field Office indices regarding ROBERT F. BELL and various aliases was negative regarding any information of a communistic nature.

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Reference is made to a letter to the Director from the New York Office dated May 1, 1947 entitled GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R, under subject DAVID WAHL wherein it was stated that [REDACTED]

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Another type of material was entitled "Oil - Creator of the Middle East Vacuum", and discusses the American policy in the Middle

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East and relates that American intervention in Greece and Turkey is motivated by the desire to preserve democracy on one side and on the other side American policy is American intervention, on the thirst for oil.

Another type of material is a letter addressed to MIX LOLENTHAL dated March 18, 1947 sent by IRVIN S. MASON wherein reference is made to MASON's attending the Laend Errat meeting on March 11 at which the restitution draft was considered and MASON then discussed various places he went in Germany and other places and speaks relative to the provisions of this act referred to above.

Other material found was a letter from LOUIS LIPSKY to Mr. HENRY MONSKY, 737 Omaha National Bank Building, Omaha, Nebraska. This letter related the information that has been previously set out under this subject regarding PAUL RICHMOND who accused DAVE of being a communist. DAVE in turn reported the incident to his superiors and LIPSKY in turn informs his superior MONSKY of the situation. The letter in part is as follows:

"My dear Mr. Monsky, I think it is important that you have knowledge of the enclosed communications in order that steps may be taken as soon as possible to correct an activity of Mr. Richmond which, if I am correct, is bound to have a very bad effect on the activities of one of the trusted members of our staff.

"That Mr. Richmond is a mischief maker is clear from his assertion, as reported, that you sent the Justice Department in Washington a list of the conference personnel asking that those names in the dossiers of the FBI be given to you in order that such as appeared there may be separated from the conference staff.

"I am sure you will agree that the conference cannot be automatically guided as to the personnel of its staff by any reports of the FBI. It is obvious that whatever these reports may be Jewish interests are not served by quisting a representative of an organized defense agency spreading slanderous statements regarding members of the staff of another Jewish agency, especially in Washington.

"Please let me know what you think of the enclosed and what should be done before I bring the matter to the meeting of the

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executive committee.

"Very cordially yours,  
"Louis Lipsky"

The above was a copy evidently given to MAHL and the enclosed material which evidently accompanied the letter to MONSKY was probably a letter from MAHL to LIPSKY setting forth the situation between he and RICHMOND.

Another photographic copy set forth the following which MAHL evidently attempts to ascertain and the sources from which this information can be had:

- I. Department of Commerce reports since 1939 entitled
  1. Prisoners in State and Federal Prisons
  2. Judicial Criminal Statistics
- II. Director of the Administrative Office of the U. S. - Codes and annual reports since 1940
- III. Department of Justice, Bureau of Prisons - Reports entitled "Federal Offenders", annual reports since 1940
- IV. Appropriation Acts - for Justice Department and Treasury Department for years 1944 to date
- V. Uniform Crime Reports subsequent to October 41, Volume 12, Number 3 (quarterly FBI)
- VI. Harold Glasser - any material on Secret Service; Narcotic Squad, another crime detection work
- VII. Check with Phil (probably Phil Dunaway) whether he has any of the following appropriation hearings for Justice Department: for years 1942, 1945, 1946, 1947 in the House; for years 1943 to 1945 in the Senate, Treasury, Army, Post Office, Navy - 1941 to date in House and Senate
- VIII. Annual reports of FBI, 1942 to date

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The exact reason that LAHL would desire the above information has not been ascertained. It is not believed that the above material would be of any value to LAHL in connection with his official capacity as member of the American Jewish Conference.

Reference is made to the report in this case dated March 25, 1947 under subject LAHL wherein under physical surveillances it is set out that an unidentified man was observed in LAHL's office and was later joined by another unidentified man. The two men left LAHL's office and departed in a car bearing Maryland license plates No. 571642.

In a letter dated May 14, 1947 entitled GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R, the Baltimore Office set out the following information:

Information was received from the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Baltimore, Maryland, that Maryland license No. 571642 was issued to MIGNON PAULI KELLERMAN, 5428 Roosevelt Street, Bethesda, Maryland, Montgomery County. This tag was listed to a Chrysler four-door sedan.

Detective Corporal WILLIAM LABIEN and Detective Corporal JOHN LEHY, Montgomery County Police, Bethesda, Maryland, advised that they had no criminal record on either Mr. or Mrs. KELLERMAN. They further advised that inquiry at the Montgomery County Police Department failed to reflect anyone who could furnish any background information on either Mr. or Mrs. KELLERMAN.

Mr. L. S. HOUSE, Prince Georges County Credit Bureau, Hyattsville, Maryland, advised that they had no credit information on Mr. HENRY J. KELLERMAN but stated they had obtained a copy of a credit report on his wife, MIGNON PAULI KELLERMAN, through their Washington office; this report was dated October, 1944. Mr. HOUSE stated that their credit report reflected that MIGNON's husband was HENRY J. KELLERMAN, that they resided at 5428 Roosevelt Street, Bethesda, Maryland, where they had resided since August, 1944, and that they rented their house through the BOSS AND PHELPS REALTY COMPANY, Washington, D. C. The credit report reflected that they had formerly lived at 63 Sheridan Street, N. E., Washington, D. C., and prior to that, 222 Stewart Road, Valley Stream, Long Island, New York. The report reflected that MIGNON was employed by OSS as a reserve analyst and was appointed in April, 1944 at a salary of \$3800 per annum. She was previously employed by the FCC in the same capacity and was appointed to that

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position during September, 1942; prior to that, she was employed by the Welfare Council of New York City.

The credit report further indicated that she was 34 years of age in 1944, white, married, and had three children.

Mr. THOMAS O'DONNOGHUE, Chief Wireman, Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, Hyattsville, Maryland, advised that they had no background data on either Mr. or Mrs. HENRY J. ~~WILLERMAN~~.

Reference is made to the conversation between WAHL and one GROSS at the Statler Hotel on April 25, 1947. It was determined that the above individual was Mr. HILTON ~~GROSS~~, Room 1124, Statler Hotel. He and Mrs. GROSS entered the hotel April 24. Their home address was 2085 Cornell Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

~~X~~ It has been ascertained that WAHL recently obtained 1948 Maryland license plates No. 428-897 which are maintained on his same card.

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RE: ~~FREDERICK PALMER~~ WEBER

Home Address: 1736 Columbia Road, N. W., Apartment 406

(No home phone. However, uses the phone of

Mrs. POPE, Apartment 405, Columbia 3663.)

Business Address: CIO Political Action Committee

718 Jackson Place, N. W.

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The following information concerning WEBER was developed from the files of the Washington Field Division:

WEBER was born on March 8, 1914, at Smithfield, Virginia. His wife, LILLIAN DROPKIN WEBER, was born in New York City on February 8, 1917. WEBER attended the University of Virginia where it is alleged he has been very active in the American Students' Union on the campus of the University of Virginia during 1938 and 1939, at which time this union was headed by one DAVID CARLISLE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and at that time admitted that the Communist Party was paying his way through school. b7c

LILLIAN WEBER received her education at Hunter College in New York City and while there, had difficulty with the authorities and was suspended from that institution due to her Communistic activities. In April, 1935, she led a group of students in revolt against the school administration, which stormed the president's office to enforce their demands. She was a member and agitator for the National Student's League, which later became the American Students' Union. It is believed that she was very active in the American Students' Union when it existed on the University of Virginia campus and that she was the brains of this organization and was aided by her husband PALMER.

[REDACTED] WEBER received a letter from L. F. COLES, colored, of 2074 Madison Avenue, New York, dated September 26, 1940, in New York City, in which COLES listed the names of various individuals in Washington who were radicals and possibly Communists, and he advised WEBER, "Don't let anyone in Washington know you are a Communist or they will run you out of the university". b7E

Mrs. EDWIN SCHWARTZ SMITH of 1315 Columbia Road, N. W., has advised that WEBER received considerable literature and had numerous visitors at his summer residence at 1315 Columbia Road during the time they American Youth Congress held meetings in Washington, D. C.

A newspaper article appearing in the "Charlottesville Daily Progress" dated October 18, 1938, reflects that the four members of the allegedly Communist directed Workers Party Alliance accused of violating the

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ordinance by distributing literature in front of the Ix Silk Mill on ...  
Street were F. PALMER WEBER, J. T. BROOKS, W. SENNOD, and J. H. HIBLER.

The above information was furnished the Washington Field Office by letter dated May 21, 1941.

WEBER was formerly employed as a research assistant on the Select Committee to Investigate the Interstate Migration of Destitute Citizens. This committee was headed by Congressman JOHN H. STOLAN of California. He was also employed as a special investigator by the Kilgore Committee in the House Office Building at a salary of \$6500 per annum and his appointment was made in May of 1942.

From confidential sources whose identities are known to the Bureau, the following information was developed concerning WEBER:

WEBER was contacted by HOYT HADDOCK and HADDOCK wanted to know if he could check to see whether ROLF had ever signed a discharge petition. WEBER replied there was no easy way and he asked HADDOCK whether he noticed that BENDER (Congressman BENDER) voted no on the Hobbs Bill and that TOLAN voted for it. WEBER added that he was very unhappy about "Uncle John's" behavior and is sorry he failed to speak to him.

GEORGE H. ✓

On May 12, 1944, HADDOCK told his secretary to tell JOE that he had spoken to PALMER WEBER about getting up a statement showing the position of the CIO Political Action Committee with respect to various candidates for Congress throughout the United States, one which the CIO feels should be supported locally and one which should be supported nationally. He added this should be gone over with legislative representatives in Washington and should be pushed.

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ART PHILLIPS contacted JOE SEAT in New York City, Chelsea 3-8770 and wanted to know what was rolling politically on the Kilgore Bill. JOE advised ART he had gotten in touch with the CIO PAC in New York and talked to PALMER WEBER and he, WEBER, told JOE that a caucus was called by the Democratic Party in Washington, and said all the administration supporters are being pushed on this bill and BARKELEY and TAGNER and MURRAY were doing their best to keep the guys in line. He added that BOB LAMB was supposed to be leading the campaign in Washington. (S)u

JOAN REDMONT contacted ALCOLI HOBBS and discussed job possibilities for HELEN SCOTT, and HOBBS told her the only person he knows at the PAC is PALMER WEBER, Research Director in New York City, and added that the job for writing speeches for Congressmen is about out because of the lack of funds. JOAN advised ALCOLI that FRANK MORALE (phonetic) is back in town and is with "World Report" and will cover Government agencies and embassies. (JOAN REDMONT is the wife of BERNARD REDMONT, subject in case GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R) (S)u

On May 23, 1946, PHILIP BROWN contacted THEODORE HALPERIN (the brother of LAURICE HALPERIN, subject of case GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R), and during the conversation it was determined that HALPERIN was looking for a job in journalism. The name of PALMER WEBER, head of the PAC in New York, was mentioned and it was said that he, WEBER, has his finger in all that is going on and is a good friend of BROWN, CARL GREEN, and BOB LAMB. (S)u

On December 10, 1946, WEBER contacted GREGORY SILVERMASTER (subject in case entitled GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R) and when advised that SILVERMASTER was not at home, he talked to HELEN SILVERMASTER and made a date to meet GREGORY SILVERMASTER in the New Yorker Hotel at 9:00 A.M. the following morning. WEBER advised HELEN that he had breakfast with one of the men GREG wanted to see.

On December 20, 1946, WEBER contacted SILVERMASTER and during the conversation, SILVERMASTER said he was very anxious to see PALMER, and added that he saw the guys in New York and the Minister here and that OSCAR LANGE says they are negotiating for credit right now.

On February 3, 1947, WEBER contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN (the wife of IRVING KAPLAN, subject of case entitled GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R) and said he thought he recalled meeting her when he was working with the Tolan Committee. He added that VERDA EARNES had told him that DOROTHY had volunteered to help VERDA. WEBER said his staff in research has been out to zero and he is looking for volunteers but that he does not think there is any future in it because he does not think the CIO will give them any more money. DOROTHY agreed to help him if she can and they arranged to see each other on the following Thursday. (S)u

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On February 4, 1947, VERDA BARNES contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and they discussed VERDA's trip to the West Coast. VERDA told DOROTHY that she is going to Colorado, Utah, Montana, and the West Coast states to try to organize CIO PAC at ward and precinct levels. She added there is need for organization at the lower levels to educate the people on the CIO policies. VERDA said she had been up on the Hill talking to some of the good Senators and Congressmen who are a bit discouraged for the outlook for 1948, and that PALMER WEBER wants to do research work on BALL, TAFT, and other reactionaries who will be important factors in 1948. They want to get some stuff on them that is documented. They agreed that something has happened to their organization and that a lot of work is needed before the elections in 1948. (P)h

On February 13, 1947, WEBER contacted HELEN SILVERMASTER and when advised that GREGORY was not at home, he told her to tell GREGORY he was in Washington now on Mondays through Thursdays and that after March 1st, would be here all the time. HELEN invited him to dinner February 17th, which invitation was accepted.

On February 17, 1947, PALMER WEBER tried to contact DAVID WAHL. (P)h

On February 18, 1947, WEBER contacted DAVID WAHL and inquired if DAVE remembers DAVID CARLINER. WAHL said that he always confused DAVID CARLINER with his brother LOUIS, whereupon PALMER said he and DAVID CARLINER had been friends since 1936 and that he is now practicing law in Washington, D. C. He added that CARLINER was in the Army for awhile and was in the South Pacific and then in the War Department when he came back, on dismissal cases and charges. He went on to say that CARLINER worked for OPA for awhile and then to organize a new Council of American Business here. WEBER remarked, "He set up his law office." WEBER asked WAHL to give CARLINER any legal work which he might have. (P)h

On the same date WEBER conversed with DAVE WAHL and they discussed one DWOARK (phonetic) who is believed to represent "World Congress". PALMER asked DAVE if he had seen BENDER (probably Representative GEORGE H. BENDER of Ohio), and DAVE said he had not. PALMER asked DAVE not to mention a thing he had shown him the other day but to keep it to himself and added he had talked to BENDER and BENDER did not want to do it. (P)h

On February 25, 1947, HELEN SILVERMASTER conversed with DICK and ELIZABETH SASULY and told ELIZABETH that WEBER had asked for volunteer workers and HELEN had suggested J. GREEN. ELIZABETH SASULY thinks this is a good idea. (P)h

On February 26, 1947, WEBER contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN who advised she cannot get in to see him that afternoon and, if possible, wants to see him the following morning. WEBER told her he was leaving for New York at (P)h

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5:00 P. M. and would not be back to Washington until late the following Friday. However, he will leave two charts for DOROTHY with Mrs. BENSON. They make a tentative date for Saturday morning at 11:00 P. M. (B) u

On March 3, 1947, WEBER contacted HELEN SILVERMASTER and asked about the volunteer aid promised him. HELEN advised him she had talked to the woman; however, she had not made up her mind as yet.

On March 3, 1947, ARTHUR STEIN contacted PALMER WEBER and stated he would like to have the PAC exert some influence. However, WEBER told him that the PAC is just about dead and does not know what influence it has, and STEIN asked him if HANNEGAN knew that. WEBER replied he did not think so. STEIN went on to say that he had heard that RAYMOND R. ZIEGLER, the personnel man at the White House, is resigning today and it would be a good spot for somebody. WEBER asked STEIN who he had in mind and STEIN suggested ROBERT L. MARLETTE, Personnel Director of the Labor Department. STEIN described MARLETTE as "a nice guy, not a labor guy but a nice guy." WEBER said he would work on it and will call STEIN later. (B) u

On March 11, 1947, WEBER contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and inquired how she was doing with her work, and she said it was about finished. He suggested they see each other today if possible and they agreed to meet at 2:30 P. M. He said that JACK CROWL is working to make a speech at the Board meeting Thursday and will use some of the material DOROTHY has prepared. (B) u

On March 12, 1947, WEBER contacted GREGORY SILVERMASTER and said he would be out about 6:30 P. M. for dinner and added, "I have some things to talk over with you and your friends." Subsequently WEBER contacted SILVERMASTER and said he had received an urgent call from his wife in Newark and would not be able to attend the dinner at the SILVERMASTER's residence tonight. He also mentioned "the snowball is rolling in two directions". They make arrangements to meet later on.

On March 13, 1947, WEBER contacted SILVERMASTER and they make arrangements to have lunch together that day.

On March 18, 1947, DOROTHY KAPLAN contacted WEBER and wanted to see him the following morning instead of this afternoon. However, WEBER told her he would be up on the Hill most of the time the following day. WEBER told her the CIO Executive Council met the previous night and gave PAC the go-ahead. PHIL MURRAY put himself and four other presidents on the PAC Board. WEBER wants DOROTHY to get two large maps of the United States showing the Congressional districts. On one of these they can take her statistics and show the marginal districts in 1941 and on the other, in 1946 so "we can show these guys what they have to do". DOROTHY agreed to get the maps. (B) u

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On March 19, 1947, WEBER contacted SILVERMASTER and said, "That character wishes to see you Friday and I wonder whether you wanted to come down or should I give it to you over the phone." GREG said he would come down.

On March 21, 1947, WEBER contacted DAVID WAHL and WAHL advised him he had not been able to get hold of the guys but he had tried to contact PAUL BADGER and maybe he will be able to see him tomorrow morning. They make arrangements to meet the following day. (u)

On March 23, 1947, WEBER contacted DICK SASULY and requested to speak to BETTY JENNINGS. However, BETTY was not in and PALMER left word to have her call him at CLARK FOREMAN's house when she returns. Subsequently JENNINGS contacted WEBER and advised him the story this morning was very good and that she is puzzled about not hearing from IRVING RICHTER. She told WEBER about talking to RICHTER and giving him the MAE BAILEY dope. (u)

On March 24, 1947, LUD ULLMAN contacted WEBER and said he was having lunch with JOE FRIEDMAN and they agreed that WEBER will meet them at the Madrillon at 12:30 P.M. (ULLMAN is a subject in the case GREGORY, ESPIONAGE - R, and JOE FRIEDMAN is Assistant General Counsel at the Treasury Department.) (u)

On March 24, 1947, WEBER contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and she asked him if he had gotten the maps. He replied he had and they were filled out properly. He added he has a special project for her which she can do in a day. It involves tabulation from these sheets they already have. It also involves pulling out certain fellows. WEBER then spoke to IRVING KAPLAN and KAPLAN said on this FAO report he had mentioned a Utah professor. KAPLAN cannot remember his name but on the list also was MORDECAI EZEKIAL who is available here in Washington. They agreed to see each other the following day. (u)

On March 26, 1947, WEBER contacted GREGORY SILVERMASTER and asked for the telephone number of JEAN HINTON GREEN. SILVERMASTER told him it was North 79660.

On March 26, 1947, WEBER contacted DOROTHY KAPLAN and subsequently spoke to IRVING KAPLAN and told him that regarding those documents he had spoken to him about, one of them is from the Treasury and is in their Law Department Library and they are a little finicky about letting it out. The one in the Federal Reserve was done for the War Department and apparently one can't get it without Congressional authorization. WEBER tells KAPLAN to relax on both of these things until he can clear the way on it, and that he might take care of it in another way. (u)

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On the same date WEBER contacted DAVID WAHL and DAVE advised him that THOMAS came through. During the conversation they mentioned IRVING RICHTER, HENRY WALLACE, TRYGVILLE, and ERNEST ~~WATER~~. (X) ~

On March 30, 1947, ELIZABETH SASULY tried to contact WEBER and when advised he was out, she asked the woman answering the phone if she knew BENJAMIN BOLDWIN's phone number in New York City. She was advised it was Regent 4-0983. His address is 210 East 68th Street. (X) ~

On April 4, 1947, DAVID WAHL contacted PALMER WEBER and he said he could not do PALMER much good on the Turkish situation. He added that a guy by the name of ~~ORSHINSKI~~ in the Congress in New York has the dough. PALMER said that's what he needs. WAHL said he may send MARY JANE KEENEY to see WEBER as she is temporarily frustrated from going overseas and she needs something to occupy her mind. DAVID added she would be good for the record or any writing. She is especially good for editorial work and writings. (X) ~

On April 6, 1947, WILLIE McAVOY contacted LUD ULLMAN and wanted to know if ULLMAN and the SILVERMASTERS were going to the Southern Conference dinner tonight. She added that RAY WALSH was going to speak and that GREG FOREMAN was going to preside. She said that if they decided to go, they could sit at the same table with them and PALMER WEBER and JACK KROLL. (X) ~

On April 10, 1947, ELIZABETH SASULY contacted PALMER WEBER and advised him they were going to have an election at the Phillips plant on the Eastern Shore at Cambridge, Maryland, and were having mass meeting on Saturday. They mentioned the names of Reverend DAVID N. LECORICE (phonetic) of the Abyssinian Baptist Church and VITO MARCANTONIO and Reverend J. MEEGAN (phonetic), president of the Association of Fraternal Order of Negro Ministers. (X) ~

On April 23, 1947, WEBER made a luncheon engagement with DAVE WAHL for the following day. (X) ~

On March 20, 1947, WEBER contacted BILL GLAZIER and advised him a friend of his was looking for a job and wanted to know if BILL could help him. The name of his friend is DAVID CARLINER who is working at the new Council of American Business which is folding up. WEBER went on to say CARLINER is the one who organized the Anti-Poll Tax Committee here in 1942. BILL advised WEBER that the situation in the ILWU does not seem to be that they are hiring anyone. They agreed to meet for lunch the following day. WEBER is an instructor in Political Philosophy at the King-Smith School at 1751 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W., and it should be noted that considerable incidental influence relative to suspected Communist activity has taken place in his class and is being set forth. The following information was obtained by Special Agent WILLIAM H. HARR who attended the lectures of WEBER at the above mentioned school: (X) ~

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It was possible for Special Agent LARR to attend WEBER's class on April 8, 1947, at which time the title of his lecture was "Current Labor Legislation". WEBER opened his lecture by citing that some 55 million workers in the United States live on wages or salaries. Of this figure, some 14 million are employed in manufacturing industries averaging approximately \$40.00 per week. He reported that some 10 million workers average only about \$25.00 per week and then utilized these figures to stress the need for economic adjustment in the United States. He pointed out that a comparative few Americans control the bulk of the nation's wealth and that this year American corporations will make a profit of some 15 billion dollars, approximately three times the profit they made in 1936.

WEBER commented, "The fat cats are getting fatter." He then pointed out that although corporation profits are increasing, the living standard of the average American has decreased from twenty per cent to twenty-five per cent. He then summarized his opening remarks by saying that prices are up, profits are up and purchasing power is down -- "We are approaching a head-on clash between labor and capital."

WEBER proposed that several students arrange to interview the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone strikers and endeavor to secure from them what they consider their true reasons for striking. He also requested that some students call on Senator TAFT and interview him concerning his proposed labor legislation.

WEBER then plunged into the main theme of his lecture and dealt at length with the proposed anti-labor bills in Congress, of which he states there are over 200. He stressed that it should be understood that labor unions exist only to protect the standard of living of their members and emphasized the fact that the proposed anti-labor bills seek to destroy labor and its position in this country. He pointed out that the corporations and the National Association of Manufacturers through their representatives in Congress are seeking such ends as limiting labor's right to strike, destroying union finances, abolishing the closed shop, abolishing the check-off system, and giving employers the right of access to the courts for injunction purposes. In connection with the use of the injunction, WEBER called attention to EUGENE B. DEBS, whose name will be recognized as a one-time prominent Socialist. WEBER described DEBS as a great social leader and as a man who was greatly admired by many Americans.

At this point in his lecture, WEBER suggested that the class now engage in discussion and as a result, a lively discussion resulted in which it appeared that a good majority of the class members were pro-labor and anti-capital. One NEIL BERNATHY, a young boy approximately eighteen years old, was particularly critical of the National Association of Manufacturers, blaming them for all the nation's ills. It seemed apparent that young

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BERNATHY had gotten his ideas from his father, BERNATHY, who was also present and who is believed to be a Naval officer or employee of the Navy Department.

STEVE GRATTON, who was referred to constantly by WEBER, was particularly bitter against capital and employers generally. On one occasion GRATTON spoke up and pointed out that J. EDGAR HOOVER was a leader in the SACCO - VAN ZETTI "persecution". This remark was approved by WEBER, whereupon GRATTON further observed that HOOVER occupies the same role today, which remark WEBER also approved.

It will be recalled that STEVE GRATTON is known to the Washington Field Office as an individual very active in Communist circles.

There was considerable discussion concerning the creation of the National Labor Relations Board and WEBER pointed out that although ROOSEVELT's work in this respect had been magnificent, the National Association of Manufacturers and Big Business now have succeeded in controlling the members on the board. He further added that the NAM now controls a large bloc of Congress and is using this power to destroy labor.

He cited as examples of the use of this power the anticipated cut in appropriations for the Labor Department and the strangulation of some of its functions.

Just before the class broke up for the evening, WEBER closed his pertinent remarks by stating, "American life today is a struggle between those who work and those who clip coupons."

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